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## DECISION TO REOPEN BURMA ROAD ON OCTOBER 18 ANNOUNCED BY MR. CHURCHILL IN THE COMMONS

### CHANNEL CONVOY SHELLED

LONDON, Oct. 8 (Reuter).—A British convoy in the Channel was shelled from the French coast this morning.

Shells could be seen exploding, but no ships appeared to be hit. A guard of British fighters overhead safeguarded the ships against aerial attack.

British long-range guns on the Straits of Dover replied to the German fire. Explosion of shells could be seen from the British coast.

### 27 ENEMY AIRCRAFT DESTROYED

### Air Ministry Correction

LONDON, Oct. 8 (BWS).—A correction is made this morning regarding the number of German aeroplanes brought down yesterday.

Later reports of the air fighting show that 27 enemy aircraft were destroyed and not 28 as previously announced. Sixteen of our fighters were lost, but the pilots of ten of them are safe.

This information was given in an Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security communique which also dealt with last night's activity as follows:—

**MANY BOMBS DROPPED**  
There were widespread raids over Britain during the night. Many bombs were dropped in London and in the suburbs and in towns in North-West England, but reports so far received indicate that the damage and casualties caused in these areas were not heavy, considering the scale of the attacks.

"Bombs were also dropped in a number of other districts in England and at a few places in Scotland and Wales."

"An industrial plant in one town in South-East England was damaged, but otherwise little damage was done and the casualties were very few."

### FILM EXCHANGE

SHANGHAI, Oct. 8 (Reuter).—A Chinese-Soviet Agreement has been signed for the exchange of cinema films, says the Chinese Press, adding that the Chinese pictures will be produced by the Central Motion Picture Studio.

### TODAY'S WAR SUMMARY

THE BURMA ROAD WILL BE REOPENED ON OCT. 18. This announcement was made by the British Prime Minister in the House of Commons yesterday when he made a statement on the international situation. The Japanese Foreign Minister was informed of the British Government's decision by the British Ambassador in Tokyo, Sir Robert Craigie yesterday. The Japanese believe that the reopening will not affect the ban on military and other supplies to China, via Hongkong.

CHUNGKING GENERALLY BELIEVES THAT A SHOWDOWN between the United States and Japan is inevitable and it is only a question of time. If war comes between the Americans and Japanese it is believed in Chungking that it will be quick and decisive and determined after a few major naval engagements in the Pacific. An American newspaper comments that all the shouting from Japan is bluff and that the Japanese are scared and desperate.

HEAVY BOMBS WERE DROPPED BY THE ROYAL AIR FORCE on three of the main power stations in Berlin. In Monday's raids over Britain 27 enemy aircraft were destroyed according to an Air Ministry communique which, describing the night attacks, states that they were widespread and many bombs were dropped.

THE VICHY GOVERNMENT EARLIER THIS MONTH REJECTED new territorial demands by Thailand, according to a semi-official statement.



MR. CHURCHILL

### Australians In R.A.F.

Commenting on signs that the war scene is likely to shift from Europe to the Middle East in the near future, a broadcast commentary from Australia last night referred to the achievements of the Royal Air Force in which many Australians were serving.

The dominant feeling in Australia, said the announcer, will be one of pride and confidence in their men on active service. Already the Italians had felt the weight of the Australian troops and the fighting capabilities of the Royal Australian Air Force and the people of Australia were confident that the men of the R.A.A.F. will worthily carry on the name of their fathers.

### Russia May Not Approve Of Pact

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8 (Reuter).—A new speculation that Russia may not approve the Tripartite Alliance has resulted from the unexpected resumption on Monday evening of the talks between Mr. Sumner Welles, American Under-Secretary of State, with M. Ansky, Soviet Ambassador, who conferred several times on the question of improving Russo-American relations, but which was suspended until now.

## International Situation Reviewed: Tripartite Pact Points Against Soviet Russia In Secondary Degree

"THREE MONTHS AGO WE WERE ASKED BY THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT TO CLOSE THE BURMA ROAD."

"We agreed because we wished to give the Governments of Japan and China an opportunity to settle their quarrel. This settlement has not been reached."

"SINCE THE EXPIRY OF THE CLOSURE IS DUE ON OCT. 17 THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT DO NOT SEE ITS WAY TO KEEP THE ROAD CLOSED AFTER THAT DATE."

The British Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, made this important announcement when he referred to the Far East in the course of a review of the international situation in the House of Commons yesterday.

MR. CHURCHILL WENT ON TO REFER TO THE NEW GERMAN-ITALIAN AND JAPANESE PACT. HE DESCRIBED THE PACT AS APPEARING SO UNFAVOURABLE TO JAPAN THAT THE GOVERNMENT WONDERED WHETHER THERE WERE NOT SOME SECRET CLAUSES IN THE PACT.

"This three-Power Pact," he said, "is primarily aimed at the United States, but in a secondary degree it points against Russia."

Referring to Spain, Mr. Churchill said that it was the only country today in more need of peace and prosperity.

British policy was based on recognising these essentials of Spain but we are only concerned that the country will not be used by the enemy.

At the opening of his speech, Mr. Churchill referred to the casualties in Britain from German air raids. He said that the actual figures were about 8,500 killed and 13,000 wounded.

### RATE DROPPING

The rate of casualties was dropping week by week. In the first week, 8,000 were killed and seriously wounded, in the second 5,000, in the third, 4,000 and in the fourth, 3,000.

Referring to the destruction of property and buildings, Mr. Churchill said that it would take 10 years for half the number of houses in London to be destroyed.

The Prime Minister next referred to the calls for reprisals against Germany.

"Our policy," he said, "is to batter all those points in Germany which are of military and strategic importance to the Nazis and thus to lessen their fighting power."

"We must not think that the winter weather will prevent indiscriminate bombings," Mr. Churchill went on. "It will probably make it more exciting for the enemy than it has done at present."

### PROVISION FOR SUFFERERS

"In the meanwhile, second only to our fighting services, are the measures we have taken to provide for those who suffered from these destructions."

"A Bill is being prepared for nationwide compulsory insurance against damage to property by air raids."

Mr. Churchill then commented on the prospects of a Nazi invasion. "The danger is not past," he said.

"On our side we have a home guard of 1,500,000 men and our Regular Army training will proceed throughout the winter. The main reason that the invasion has not been attempted is probably because of the brilliant victories which have been gained by our fighter aircraft."



Map showing the Burma Road.

Mr. Churchill referred to the operations at Dakar. The British Government's opinion of General de Gaulle, he said, had been enhanced by his conduct under peculiar difficulties. Gen. de Gaulle was right in thinking that the majority of the Frenchmen in Dakar were in his favour, but the whole situation was transformed by the three French cruisers which carried Vichy partisans to Dakar.

### UNFORTUNATE ACCIDENT

It was of official importance that have prevented these ships from reaching Dakar, but through an unfortunate accident, this was not done. This and some other errors that had been made over the Dakar operations were now subject of enquiries.

In the operations at Dakar, one British battleship and one cruiser were damaged. They could still sail and fight but sudden repairs were necessary.

In conclusion, Mr. Churchill said, "Because we feel sure of ourselves and see ourselves more clearly through our difficulties and danger, than we did some months ago and because our friends and enemies have recognised the power of the British Empire, do not let us doubt for one moment the hazards that will confront us."

"No one can imagine how this terrible war against Nazism will run its course, or how long it will last. Our determination must go on until it becomes the beacon of our salvation."

LISBON, Oct. 8 (Reuter).—The Civil Governor has inaugurated a market children's welfare school at Lourdes.

### Matsuoka Is Informed

TOKYO, Oct. 8 (Reuter).—Under instructions from his Government the British Ambassador in Tokyo, Sir Robert Craigie, has informed the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Matsuoka this morning to the effect that Britain is reopening the Burma Road on Oct. 17, according to a Foreign Office communique.

The Japanese believe that the British notification does not affect the British ban on transportation of military and other supplies to China, via Hongkong.

The British decision to reopen the Burma Road was ascribed by the JAPAN TIMES to a desire "to save face" in China and support Chungking as the only force resisting Japan, together with the United States.

The decision is stated to be an unmistakable indication that Britain will take with the United States a common front against Japan.

### GREAT LOSSES

SHANGHAI, Oct. 8 (Reuter).—As a result of the blockade of the coast and the tension in Indo-China, Chinese goods' manufacturers and exporters are reported to have held a meeting to discuss the question of sending goods to Free China, via the Burma route, which is expected to be reopened, says the Chinese Press.

It is admitted that Chinese manufacturers' importers and exporters have suffered great losses by the closing of the Burma Road and the Japanese action in Indo-China.

### Ten British Ships Sunk

LONDON, Oct. 8 (Reuter).—Ten British, four allied and one neutral ships were lost by enemy action for the week ending August 29. The total tonnage of the 15 ships amounted to 72,000 tons, which is less than half of the total of the previous week.

## SHOWDOWN BETWEEN AMERICA, JAPAN BELIEVED INEVITABLE

CHUNGKING, OCT. 8 (REUTER).—A SHOWDOWN BETWEEN JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES IS BOUND TO COME, IT IS GENERALLY BELIEVED HERE.

It is only a question of time whether after the November election or next spring, observers say. It is believed that the outcome of the American Presidential Election will have no effect on the Far Eastern development as it is thought that in matters of foreign policy, American public opinion is united whether Republicans or Democrats are in power.

There is, therefore, general opinion here that the international developments are shaping rapidly in China's favour since Chinese circles are convinced of America's supremacy over Japan in resources as well as in naval and aircraft strength.

If a war comes between Japan and the United States it is believed that the outcome will be quick and decisive determined

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### SIR PERCY NOBLE IN SHAI

SHANGHAI, Oct. 8 (Reuter).—Admiral Sir Percy Noble, K.C.B., C.V.O., formerly in command of the British China Station Fleet, passed through Shanghai after relinquishing his post in Hongkong to his successor Admiral Sir Geoffrey Layton, K.C.B., D.S.O., it was officially announced today.

Sir Percy, it is learned, is returning to England, via Canada. It could not be ascertained whether he is taking up any new post in England.

### VICHY REJECTS THAILAND'S DEMANDS

VICHY, Oct. 8 (Reuter).—A semi-official statement reveals that the Vichy Government earlier this month had rejected the new territorial demands by Thailand including the surrender of all Indo-Chinese territory on the right bank of the Mekong and undertaking to cede the protectorates of Laos and Cambodia in the event of French sovereignty being transferred to a third Power.

Previously, Thailand merely asked for the transfer of a number of islands in the Mekong River. The Vichy Government has agreed to Thailand's request for the appointment of a mixed commission to investigate the recent developments in the subject, who was allegedly shot by an Annamite gendarme on the frontier.

The French maintain the victim was an Indo-Chinese.

### Princess Elizabeth To Broadcast

LONDON, Oct. 8 (British Wireless).—Princess Elizabeth will broadcast for the first time on Sunday at 5.15 p.m. when she will address a message to the children of the Empire.

### HIMMLER FOR SPAIN

A news bulletin from Davenport last night announced that Herr Himmler, head of the Nazi Gestapo, and General de Bonin, of the Italian General Staff, are going on a visit to Spain shortly, where Herr Himmler is to study the organisation of the Falangists—the Fascist movement in Spain.

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## SOCCER REVIEW

DAVID LEONARD PROVES  
TOWER OF STRENGTH IN  
ST. JOSEPH'S DEFENCEKwong Wah Sorely Lack  
Leader Of Attack  
BY "PILAT"

TWO SURPRISES FEATURED LAST WEEK-END'S LEAGUE FOOTBALL PROGRAMME.

Kowloon caused a mild sensation when they subdued Kwong Wah, who have been generally expected to fare better this season, on the railway ground on Saturday.

Kowloon, as was the case last year, are stronger in defence than in attack, but on Saturday the attack, led by Blake, combined very well. What they lacked in technique they made up in resourcefulness and determination in their approach work.

Blake, as the result of his great bursts of speed, was always able to beat Chung Kim-fai. Kwong Wah's pivot, but was wont to sacrifice ball control and accuracy in shooting for speed. If he had not been too hasty and had taken

his time he would have netted more than the one goal that he scored.

## MAIN STRENGTH

Kowloon's defence could not be called a 'strong one, and, as a result of the fine work put in by the halves, were rarely really hard pressed. The intermediate line is the main strength. Williamson is easily one of the best pivots seen for some time in local soccer.

Kwong Wah are apparently still experimenting with their line-up as could be seen by the positional changes made in their team.

In my opinion, they are sorely in need of a good leader who can hold the front line together as individually the forwards are good men. In the first game A.V. Gosano was tried out in that position but with little success. Last week B. Gosano was assigned the task, but he, too, could not get going. Bertie is a much more useful inside-man than centre-forward.

## SCRAPPY MATCH

The other unexpected result was brought off by St. Joseph's who beat Royal Scots by two clear goals at Sookunpoo. The game was a scrappy affair and the standard of soccer could not be called very high.

Saints made a wise move when they shifted David Leonard from centre-forward to the pivotal berth. He was a tower of strength and had Hossack and his men bottled up throughout. The Saints would be well advised to keep him in that position for the rest of the season especially as the attack did not seem to be weakened in any way. On the contrary, this seemed to strengthen the team on the whole.

Auld, who scored seven goals for the juniors two weeks ago, was put in at centre, Hossack being moved to right wing. This was a grave mistake and the two-goal lead established by the Saints proved too much for the Scots though Hossack went back to his old position later.

## NO FURTHER WORRY

Judging from their display on Saturday against Middlesex Eastern should have no further worry as regards their line-up which, on the day's performance, could hardly be improved upon.

The whole team worked liked, a well-oiled machine, but there was a slight loophole in the forward line which, though not every noticeable, may prove a handicap when playing against stronger teams. I refer to the Tsao-Hau combination on the left. The former did not seem to understand the latter very well though Hau was the outstanding forward, or was it because they are both essentially wingers? This, however, can be remedied in time and high hopes are being entertained that these two will develop into a dangerous flank.

## PALPABLY WEAK

Nothing exceptional was revealed in the S. China Police game, the custodians of the law being palpably weak in front of goal and the champions were more superior than the score would indicate.

Now that Chan Tak-fai has returned to the fold it is hard to understand why he was not played in the centre where he can accomplish more than at inside-right. Lee Wai-tong, though it may not be generally known, used to play in the inside position where he made his name in soccer.

## HENDY SHINES

Fine marksmanship by Hendy was the highlight of the Navy Club match on Saturday. He scored no less than six goals. Club, after holding Navy for some time, cracked up under persistent attacks and from then onwards the sailors dominated the game.

INTERPORT  
SWIMMINGLAWRENCE CHOSEN  
AFTER TRIAL

Displaying splendid form, despite his long absence from competitive swimming this year, Wilfred Lawrence made a successful come-back when he was selected for the Interport team at the trials held at the Victoria Recreation Club pool last night. He annexed both the 100 yards back stroke and 100 yards free style.

In the first event he was pitted against Lau Yiu-ting, of Lai Tsun, and his time of 70 3/5 (which was 3/5 secs. short of the championship time held by A. K. Rumjahn) shows that he is still a force to be reckoned with.

## WON COMFORTABLY

In the free style event Lawrence again made full use of his experience when in the final lap he finished well ahead of Charles Huang to win comfortably. Although this event was more of a test for Ng Tsun-man and A. V. Ozorio for a place in the Interport team, neither competitor showed up well.

At a meeting of the Selection Committee, held after the trials, Lawrence was chosen for the 100 yards free style while Lau Yiu-ting was picked for the 100 yards back stroke.

## AIRPORT NEWS

TWO PASSENGERS ON  
OUTWARD PLANE

IMPERIAL AIRWAYS OUTWARD PLANE DENEbola (Captain M. Brunton and F/O J. A. Samuels) took off from Kai Tak at 6 a.m. yesterday, taking 127,888 kilos of mail and 8 kilos of freight from the Colony.

Two passengers left by the plane—Mr. K. R. Sakhrani, for Karachi, and Mr. M. A. Gutknecht, a Swiss subject, for Bangkok.

Another outward service is due to leave on Saturday morning, while the next inward service is expected to arrive in Hongkong on Friday.

## CLIPPER ARRIVALS

Another alteration is announced in the Pan American Airways Clipper schedule.

The Philippine Clipper which was expected to arrive today has been delayed by bad weather and is now due tomorrow afternoon. She will leave on her return flight on Friday morning.

The China Clipper is scheduled to arrive on Oct. 15 and will leave the following morning.

Refugees In  
The Colony

A decrease of 214 in the number of refugees and destitutes accommodated in the Colony, in Government camps, etc., in Urban and Rural Areas is recorded in the returns for the week ending Oct. 5.

## Urban Areas (Civilians):

King's Park 1,301 against 1,301 on Sept. 28.

Mau Tau Chung 1,487 against 1,538 on Sept. 28.

North Point 1,368 against 1,365 on Sept. 28.

Morrison Hill 542 against 542 on Sept. 28.

Urban Areas (Soldiers):

In Hospital 17 against 18 on Sept. 28.

Argyle Street 708 against 707 on Sept. 28.

Urban Areas (Squatters' Camps):

Tai Hang 2,492 against 2,489 on Sept. 28.

Ngau Tau Kok 787 against 771 on Sept. 28.

Barracks Areas:

Kam Tin 2,270 against 2,464 on Sept. 28.

Total: 10,981 against 11,195 on Sept. 28.

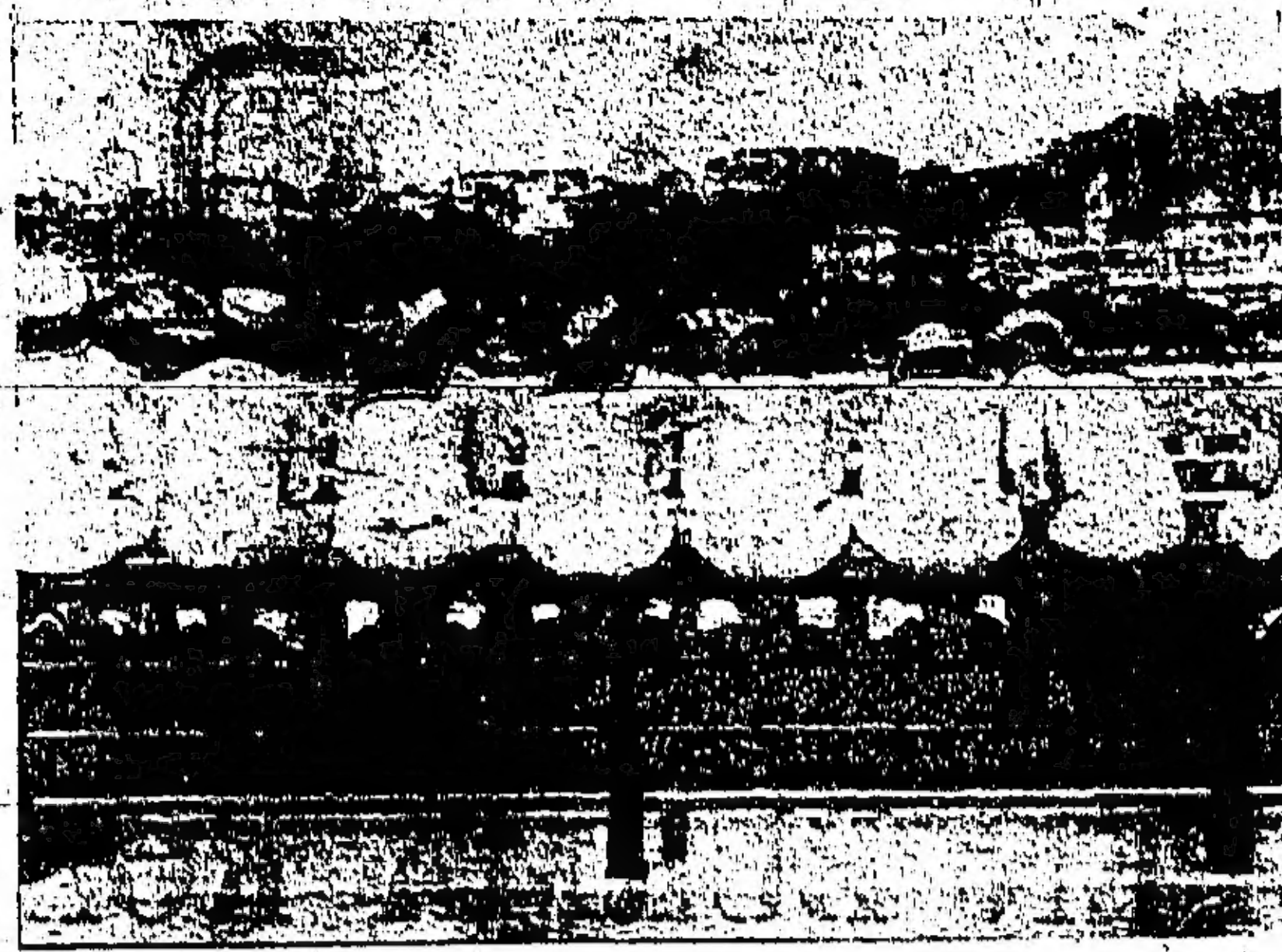
FORTHCOMING  
WEDDINGS

The following forthcoming marriages are announced:

Mr. Wong Keung-yip, student residing at No. 880, Nathan Road, and Miss Tse Mo-ling, student of No. 117, Argyle Street.

Mr. Kwan Yau-him, clerk, residing at No. 17, Wo Fung Street, and Miss Ho Wai-fong, of No. 1, Pak See Lane.

Mr. Kiang Yuan-sik, clerk, residing at No. 115, Queen's Road Central, and Miss See Wai-tsoong, accountant, residing at No. 17, King Kwong Street.



Pacific Fleet at play at Happy Valley last Saturday—U.S.S. Tern!

St. John Ambulance  
Brigade Annual  
Swimming Sports

The Annual Aquatic Sports of the St. John Ambulance Brigade will, by courtesy of the Committee, take place at the Victoria Recreation Club today at 5.30 p.m.

Lady Macgregor, Lady District Superintendent of Nursing Division, has kindly consented to present the prizes.

## SWIMMING

The European Y.M.C.A. swimming pool was open to members of the Volunteer Units interested in their swimming gala on Saturday yesterday and will be open to them today also from 5 to 8 p.m. for practice.

OPEN SINGLES  
BOWLSGREAT RECOVERY  
BY JONES

After being led for the first 15 heads, F. Jones staged a great recovery and beat A. M. Holland by 21 shots to 13 to earn the right to enter the quarter-finals of the Open Singles Lawn Bowls championship yesterday on the Craigengower green.

A remarkable feature of the game was the fact that Holland having scored 12 shots in the first 16 heads managed only to add a single for the rest of the match.

Holland won the title in 1930. At K.B.G.C., W. J. Howard beat C. G. Silva, 21-19.

## ARMY TENNIS FINAL

EMBERSON AND DUFFIELD  
WIN DOUBLES TITLE

Displaying better combination, S/SGT. EMBERSON and SGT. DUFFIELD (R.A.O.C.) won the Army Doubles (Other Ranks) tennis championship at Sookunpoo yesterday, beating Cpl. Webb and Cpl. Milne (R.A.M.C.) in straight sets, 6-1, 6-4.

Emberson, who on the previous day had played in the singles final, was on his best form and was well supported by Duffield.

Webb was the better of the losers and more often than not shouldered the brunt of the work, Milne being not up to expectation.

With good length drives the Ordnance pair won the first set rather easily, but the losers put up a great fight in the final set which was very evenly contested.

At the conclusion the trophies won in the different tournaments were distributed by Col. G. R. Hopkins, of Command Headquarters.

## PRIZE WINNERS

The following were the prize winners:—

"A" LEAGUE: Winners, Royal Engineers; Runners-up, R.A.O.C.

"B" LEAGUE: Winners, Royal Engineers; Runners-up, R.A.O.C.

SINGLES: Sgt. Murray; Runner-up, S/SGT. Emberson.

DOUBLES: Winners, Sergeant Duffield and S/SGT. Emberson; Runners-up, Cpl. Webb and Cpl. Milne.

## NO MATCH

The League Tennis match between K.C.C. and C.R.C. was not played yesterday.

SPORTING  
FIXTURES

## TODAY

LAWN BOWLS.—Colony Open Singles Championship, Fourth Round: U.M. Omar v. R.F. da Luz (At Kowloon B.G.C.).

MEETING.—Council of Hongkong Football Association, 5.30 p.m.

TENNIS.—"C" Division: S.C.A.A. v. J.R.C., H.K. P.S.A. v. K.T.G.C.A., C.R.C. v. K.I.T.C.

## TOMORROW

FOOTBALL.—Charity Football, in Aid of the Funds of B.F.R.D.C., Combined Chinese v. Rest (Club ground), 4.30 p.m.

MEETING.—Council of Hongkong Hockey Association, Andrew's Hall, 8 p.m.

RACING.—Hongkong Jockey Club's Eighth Extra Race Meeting, at Happy Valley, 2 p.m. (Second Day).

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

LAWN BOWLS.—First Division: Kowloon Docks v. Recreation "A", Craigengower v. Civil Service, Recreation "B" v. Kowloon C.C.

## ADVERTISEMENTS

THE HONG KONG  
JOCKEY CLUB

THE EIGHTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 5th and THURSDAY, 10th October, 1940, commencing at 2.00 p.m. on both days.

The first Belt will be rung at 1.30 p.m. on each day.

## MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 per day for Gentlemen and \$3.00 per day for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, Exchange Building (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m. on both days.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Telephone 21920).

## PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,  
C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 30th Sept., 1940.

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THE HONG KONG  
JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Ninth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 19th October, 1940 (Weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; The Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on FRIDAY, 11th October, 1940.

By Order,  
C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary.

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## CLEAR WEATHER FORCE RAIDERS TO FLY HIGH: AERIAL BATTLES 5 MILES UP

### Five Attacks On London: Bomb Damage Negligible

LONDON, Oct. 8 (Reuter).—An Air Ministry communique revealed that a total of 28 German aircraft were destroyed in air engagements over Britain yesterday, while 14 British fighters are missing but the pilots of six are safe.

Of some 50 bombers and fighter-bombers which carried out determined air attacks over south-west England yesterday afternoon nearly a quarter of them were destroyed.

Commercial property and a number of Council houses were hit in one town. In another town, as the girls from a factory were running to shelter, the factory was hit but none of them were hurt.

An Air Ministry news service, reporting the successful defence by British fighters, states that the five waves of enemy aircraft which came over south-east England during the day were chiefly Messerschmitt single-seat fighters, some carrying bombs. There were also small groups of bombers.

Forced up by the clear weather the enemy aircraft remained at great heights and battles with British fighters four or five miles high were general. One invisible dog-fight was fought six miles above London.

Later reports of the raids show that some damage was done in one south-west town and to commercial property in two London boroughs but the casualties so far reported are not heavy.

**LONDON ATTACKS**  
Five attacks were attempted on London, totalling in all some 450 enemy aircraft, says an Air Ministry communique.

Dealing with the day's raids, the communique adds that large forces of our fighters engaged the enemy formations which were broken up and dispersed.

In only two of these attacks did enemy aircraft succeed in penetrating to the London area and very few bombs were dropped.

## Diplomats Active In Washington

### PACIFIC MATTERS DISCUSSED

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8 (Reuter).—Great diplomatic activity centring on the situation in the Far East was noted here yesterday.

Firstly, Lord Lothian had a talk with Mr. Cordell Hull at the State Department but afterwards the Ambassador declined to say whether the reopening of the Burma Road was among the topics raised.

Then Mr. Sumner Welles received the Vichy Ambassador, M. Henry Haye, while Colonel Knox, Secretary for Navy, called on Admiral Richardson, Commander-in-Chief of the United States Fleet for what was described as a discussion of "routine fleet matters" which inevitably dealt with the Pacific.

### SHAI CONFERENCE

CHUNGKING, Oct. 8 (Central).—Admiral Sir Percy Noble, Commander-in-Chief of the China Station of the British Navy, arrived in Shanghai last night, according to a Shanghai dispatch.

It is believed that he will confer with Admiral Thomas C. Hart, Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. Asiatic Fleet, on co-operation between the British and U.S. fleets in Far Eastern waters.

This morning Admiral Hart had an important conference with American officials on future developments of the Far Eastern situation. The details of their discussion have not been divulged.

## GENEROUS GIFTS FOR PURCHASE OF AIRCRAFT

### £4,000,000 FROM COLONIES

LONDON, Oct. 8 (Reuter).—Gifts reaching the immense total of £5,097,000 have been received by the Minister for Aircraft Production (Lord Beaverbrook) for the purchase of aircraft.

The Ministry for Aircraft Production, in announcing this figure, says that the huge contribution made by the colonies amounts to £4,000,000 while £1,097,000 came from the Dominions and £1,000,000 from the British public at home.

Donations are continuing and further contributions are coming in every day.

The Ministry adds that as far as the people of Britain are concerned, enemy air attacks have but increased the amounts received.

## MATSUOKA ON SOVIET-NIPPON RELATIONS

### Solution Of Pending Questions Sought

TOKYO, Oct. 8 (Reuter).—Dealing with Soviet-Japanese relations, Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, the Foreign Minister, told the Gubernatorial Conference here that the situation between Japan and the U.S.S.R. had hitherto been unpleasant for various reasons.

After declaring that world revolution did not permit the Soviets and Japan wrangling in the Far East, Mr. Matsuoka added: "I believe the situation calls for the two countries to co-operate in attaining a greater objective by dispelling mutual understanding, if any exists, and by solving pending questions."

"Nothing would delight other parts of the world more than a dispute between Japan and the Soviet Union at this juncture, which would result in pulling chestnuts out of the fire for others."

### JAPAN-AXIS PACT

The speaker referred to "that part of the Japan-Axis Pact which stipulates that relations between the signatories and Soviet Union shall not be affected, and added: "It would, however, never be permissible to let Communism override Japan, Manchukuo and China."

The Japanese Government were watching with interest whether Britain would re-open the Burma Road as this would be the gauge of the British attitude to Japan following the Berlin pact.

## Australian Cabinet Vacancies

### Mr. Menzies' Appeal To Politicians

MELBOURNE, Oct. 8 (Reuter).—Mr. Menzies announced yesterday that he is not filling the cabinet vacancies before the meeting of all parties next week, adding that he hoped they would discuss the internal political problem in light of the present grave position of the nation and concentrating on essential matters rather than indulging in political controversy.

## AMERICANS TO LEAVE LONDON

LONDON, Oct. 8 (Reuter).—The American Embassy in London reveals that Mr. Joseph Kennedy, U.S. Ambassador, cabled to Washington two weeks ago asking that a ship be sent to take American citizens home.

## Symbol Of U.S. Fighting Power

### ROOSEVELT GREETES AIR SHOW

WASHINGTON, SEPT. 28  
HUNDREDS OF ROARING UNITED STATES ARMY AND NAVY WARPLANES WERE DISPLAYED HERE TODAY BEFORE FOREIGN DIPLOMATS AND OTHERS IN A DEMONSTRATION, which President Roosevelt explained was "just a gratifying flexing of the kind of fighting muscle a democracy can, and does produce."

### IMPRESSIVE DISPLAY

The unheralded and impressive display of American air power came on the heels of the signing of the German-Italian-Japanese military, economic and political pact which is aimed against the United States. Diplomatic representatives of the tri-power signatory nations were invited to see the aerial show which featured ceremonies incident to the placing of the cornerstone of the Washington airport administration building.

### ROAR OF WAR-BIRDS

President Roosevelt declared that the roar of the warbirds was "symbolic of our determination to build up a defense at sea, on land

and in the air capable of overcoming any attack. They represent in a small way the power we ultimately must have and soon will have. \* \* \* We strive with all of our energies and skill to see they never will be called upon for missions of war."

Meanwhile the nation took two important steps on defense. The senate ratified the Havana Pan American agreement under which the United States and 20 other American republics pledged themselves to prevent the transfer of any western hemisphere territory from one non-American country to another.

### MASS PROMOTION

Yesterday the President nominated 28 army officers to be major generals and 85 to be brigadier generals, with temporary rank to meet the requirements of the expanding army. Officials said it was the largest peacetime mass promotion of high ranking officers in the history of America.

Brigadier General Jay Benedict, superintendent at West Point Military Academy, topped the list. He was advanced to the rank of major general.

Others advanced to the rank of major general included Brig. Gen. Henry C. Pratt and Brig. Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright who now is en route to the Philippines.

## BURMA ROAD STATEMENT BY PREMIER

### JAPAN TO ASK FOR AN EXTENSION?

LONDON, Oct. 8 (Reuter).—The Prime Minister is expected shortly to make a statement regarding the Burma Road.

The British agreement with Japan, due to expire on October 17, provided that during its operation, attempts should be made to reach a general settlement of Far Eastern questions.

Japan has made no progress in this direction. She has herself moved troops into Indo-China in order to direct further attacks on China from that angle and, far from adopting a more friendly attitude to Britain, she has chosen to become associated with Britain's enemies by the tri-partite pact.

It is learned that in an examination in London of the course to be pursued when the present agreement expires, the British Government kept in close contact with the United States against whom, it is generally recognised, the tri-partite pact was mainly directed.

There is no confirmation of the report that Japan is to ask for an extension of the agreement.

### LITTLE DOUBT

There seems little doubt, that Mr. Winston Churchill will announce the re-opening of the Burma Road.

As the British and United States policies regarding the Far East run very much on parallel lines and there is a continual interchange of views between the two governments, it may be assumed that Washington has been kept informed of British intentions.

LONDON, Oct. 8 (Reuter).—Official quarters state that there is no truth in the report published in a Japanese newspaper that Chinese labourers are to be sent to England.

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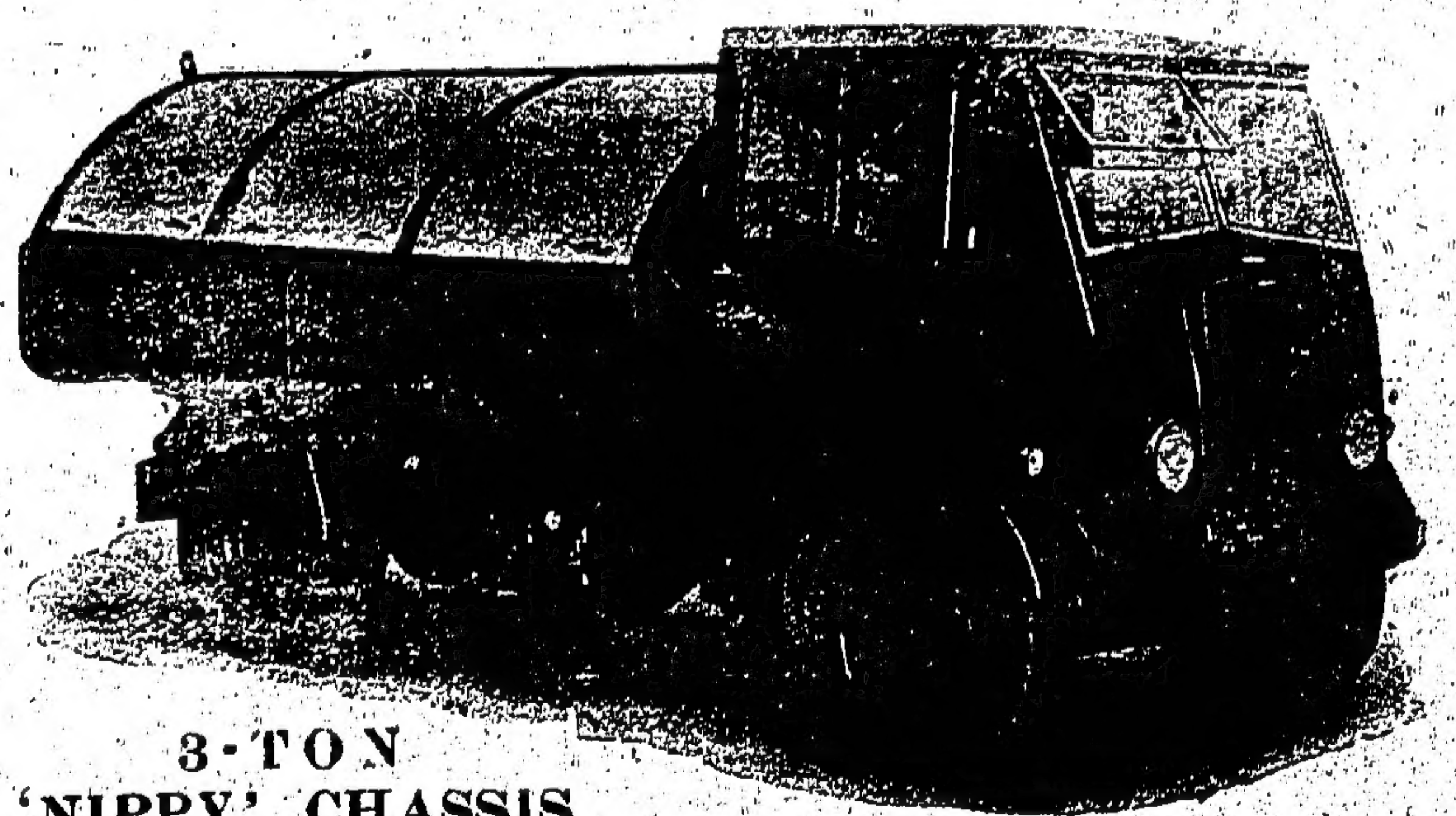
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## FREE FRENCH PILOTS

### ACTIVE ROLE IN LONDON DEFENCE

LONDON, Oct. 8 (Reuter).—A number of French fighter pilots have completed their training in British machines and are in R.A.F. squadrons "taking an active part in London and home defence," states General de Gaulle's H. Q.

What are described in the communique as "important formations of fighters and bombers" have been sent overseas. It adds that despite heavy odds a large number of French pilots have arrived at Gibraltar from North Africa. Eight were shot down on the way.

In Abyssinia and Egypt, the roll of Frenchmen who died while fighting for the cause of French independence becomes larger every day.

"Today five pilots of the Free French Air Force have already given their lives. We have learned from Cairo that one of our planes has been shot down. Only one member of the crew of four was saved."

## SPAIN ANXIETY RELIEVED

MADRID, Oct. 8 (Reuter).—Anxiety that was aroused by Axis propaganda during Senor Serrano Suner's visit to Germany and Italy and by hints of what was expected of Spain, is no longer apparent and Senor Suner's return, which has brought terrorisation that Spain is not going to plunge immediately into war, has been followed by a placid pursuit of Spanish life.

The only distraction of the past few days has been provided by a German military band of 200 strong.

LONDON, Oct. 8 (Reuter).—The British Steel Works are receiving 1,000 tons of iron each week from the railings scrap campaign which was started five months ago.

## American Eagle Club In London

LONDON, Oct. 8 (Reuter).—So many Americans have joined the British forces that a club, called the American Eagle Club, is to be opened for them in London.

Since the middle of August 6,000 New York residents have given 8,000 pints of their blood to Britain.

## POLISH PILOT DECORATED

### SQUADRON DOWNED 109 RAIDERS

LONDON, Oct. 8 (Reuter).—A Major of the Polish Air Force received his country's highest military decoration, the Virtuti Military Cross, from Gen. Sikorski in a south-east England military hospital where he was sent after being wounded in a recent air battle in the defence of London.

The Major is the leader of a fighter squadron bearing the name of Kosciuszko, Poland's national hero, which brought down 109 Nazi planes during September.

The Major escaped from his burning plane and came down by parachute which was also in flames.

## CHINESE OFFICIAL HELD IN SHANGHAI

CHUNGKING, Oct. 8 (Central).—Mr. Han-sen Sha, a staff member of the Chinese Legation in Brazil, who arrived in Shanghai by a President liner yesterday morning was detained by Japanese yendarmes who found in his luggage photos he formerly took with local Chinese troops.

The Japanese yendarmes wanted to take him to the Japanese Consulate-General but through the interference of the S.M.C. Police he was taken to the S.M.C. Police Station for questioning.



# THE DRAB SIDE OF LIFE: INTERESTING ADDRESS BY MISS P. HARROP AT ROTARY'S LADIES' DAY

## China War Blamed For Present Destitution In Colony: Salvation Army, Govt. Praised

THE DESPERATE PLIGHT OF SOME HUNDREDS OF YOUNG CHINESE ORPHANS AND DESTITUTE CHILDREN IN HONGKONG, and the excellent work being done by the Salvation Army and the Government in rescuing and rehabilitating these unfortunates, was outlined to a large gathering at the Ladies' Day Meeting of the Rotary Club yesterday by Miss Phyllis Harrop, Lady Assistant to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, in a highly interesting talk entitled "Flotsam and Jetsam."

Dr. Arthur Woo, President, was in the chair, and others sitting at the official table were the Hon. Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Smith, the Hon. Rear-Admiral A. M. Peters, the Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North, Mrs. Arthur Woo, Miss Harrop, Mrs. Eu Tong-sen, Brigadier and Mrs. W. Darby, of the Salvation Army, Prof. R. Robertson (Vice-President of the Club), Prof. L. Forster, the Rev. J. R. Higgs, Dr. F. C. Woo, Capt. J. F. Lawrence and Lt.-Col. E. J. R. Mitchell.

Explaining her reason for the choice of the title, "Flotsam and Jetsam" for her talk, Miss Harrop said, by the way, that it had no bearing on the musical turn by the same name. Flotsam means goods which are shipwrecked and remain afloat on the sea and jetsam means goods that have been cast into the sea and sink and remain under water.

These two are applicable to the work on which she is now engaged. It concerns women who have fallen on evil days, and who, on the one hand, are willing to try again to make something of their lives, and, on the other hand, those who have lost all and have descended to the depths of degradation and refuse to help themselves and are absolutely lost.

"This, however, is only one phrase of my work," she said. Blaming the Sino-Japanese War for the present terrible state of destitution in the Colony, Miss Harrop said that at present she can see nothing but a further increase in the number of destitute children in the Colony within the coming months and as long as the China War lasts.

### MISS HARROP'S ADDRESS

Continuing, Miss Harrop said in part:—

My work, which is solely devoted to the welfare of Chinese women and children, can be divided up into several categories. Let me take the women first, their problems are just as numerous and complicated, if not more so, than our own.

They have their marriage difficulties, separations and divorces, the usual triangle lack of maintenance and support and so on, and all these worries and troubles have to be very carefully sorted out.

### FRIENDLY TALK

The usual procedure is to call all parties together and then quickly discuss their difficulties, sometimes the woman accuses her husband of too much gambling, or he smokes opium, and in other cases the husband complains his wife plays too much Mahjong (not bridge this time although it is becoming fashionable amongst the more modern Chinese), and another complaint is that she is never at home to cook his meals. Then there is the inevitable triangle, a woman loses her prettiness, friend husband takes either a mistress or a concubine, and of course his wife does not like it.

Nowadays the taking of a concubine is against the Chinese law. It was abolished by the New China Civil Code in 1934, and modern young ladies are looking upon marriage in the Supreme Court, simply to impress it upon their husbands that if they eventually take a concubine or stray from the beaten path, it is a good and sufficient reason for a divorce.

### YOUNG CHILDREN

The welfare of children, and particularly young girls, is an important side of the question.

Firstly, there are the young children involved in trafficking cases, children who have been sold by their parents to other people, who in turn resell them here, or take them out of the country for the same purpose, to be resold, sometimes as cheap labour and purely for the sake of gain, and other times for immoral purposes. This cause for the sale is often extreme poverty.

This applies not only to young girls but also to young boys. We have recently discovered numerous cases of young boys being taken out of Hongkong by people, other than their parents, for disposal in

the Straits where there is a large market. Children are sometimes kidnapped.

### RAID IN WANCHAI

One of my first big jobs, was a raid I conducted on a certain house in Wanchai where I found 13 girls. This house was undoubtedly a clearing house for girls who were collected and shipped to Bangkok for distribution in Siam and the Straits. The ages of the girls ranged from 5 to 18 years.

Fortunately, I was able to arrest the two women principally engaged in the trafficking at this end and they have now been banished from the Colony. Of the 13 girls found, eight of them have been returned, under satisfactory guarantees, to their parents and relatives, but there are still five girls whose parents cannot be traced.

A few weeks ago, we conducted another such raid, these raids are frequent, but they are normally small, and do not net such a big bag. In this last big effort, we found 34 children, from babies up to 16 years of age.

### PITIFUL STORIES

Some of the stories taken from those children are pitiful. They know they have been sold, and beg not to be sent back to their parents, because there is not enough food to feed them and they will only starve. These conditions are said to be the result of the Japanese invasion, and the appalling poverty amongst the working classes.

Then there are the Mutsai girls. Most of you I think, know that the word Mutsai means servant girl, but this is a glorified translation. A Mutsai a few years ago could be bought for anything from \$50 upwards. Sometimes they are girls who have been pledged as a security for a sum of money loaned to their parents. But in whatever way the transaction has taken place, the life of a Mutsai is more often than not, pure drudgery.

I am thankful to say that not all Mutsai are treated like that. We have numerous cases in our files where girls of this type have actually been treated as members of the family, they have been sent to school and are very well cared for, but these unfortunately are few and far between.

### OTHER DRUDGES

Due largely to the war in China, there are other kinds of domestic drudges these days. Many of these so-called adopted daughters are also used for the same purpose, also young relatives, near and distant ones, whose parents cannot afford to keep them are transferred to their more affluent relatives as servants. Again many of them are pledged for debts. Many of these children are ill-treated, although not all of them are used as servants.

And now prostitution. This is my biggest problem. Number and numbers of young girls are compelled to lead this dreadful life. Here again is another form of trafficking. These girls are sold by their parents or relatives to their mistresses to be prostitutes.

### NO PARADE FOR TRAINING CADRE TOMORROW

There will be no parade of the H.K.V.D.C. Training Cadre tomorrow, Thursday, the "Double Tenth," it was announced by the military authorities yesterday.

## French Envoy Leaves For Indo-China

The French Ambassador to China, M. Henry Cosme, left the Colony yesterday morning by special plane for Indo-China, accompanied by his private secretary, M. I. Laurens-Castelet.

The Ambassador arrived in Hongkong on Monday from Swatow by ship and it is understood that his immediate destination is Hanoi. He expects to be back in Chungking in a few weeks.

Other distinguished passengers on the plane were Colonel Henri Jacomy, head of the French Indo-China arms mission to Washington, who arrived here by the American Clipper on Friday; M. Guillaume Camerlynck, Dean of the School of Law, University of Hanoi; Mr. F. Martin, Mr. P. Gannay, Mr. Jansen, Mrs. Reed, Mr. G. Vacheron, Mr. J. L. Codereh, Mrs. S. L. G. Codereh; Mr. J. Lefebvre and Mrs. Gauchet.

The machine was in the charge of Captain Capillon.

The girl has no option but to do as she is told. Most of them are unwilling to lead this life, but if they refuse, here again, they are beaten into submission.

The girl cannot run away, she is afraid her mistress will cause trouble for her parents, in addition she has no money, no friends, and nowhere to go. She is not allowed to have any money, in case she attempts to run away, all she receives is food, clothing and lodging.

### GIRLS WORTH SAVING

The majority of the younger girls in the Colony, who are leading this life, are of the type I have described. At the moment I can only deal with girls who come to me direct, and ask for help or who write to me as many do, saying that they are being kept virtually a prisoner, or who get similar messages through to me. These girls I go after immediately, they are worth saving, but the reason why I am handicapped in this work is the lack of accommodation.

These girls need skilful handling, it is no use whatever getting them out of a brothel and then turning them loose on the streets again without food, money, clothes, etc.

Here the Salvation Army come into the picture and they deserve the greatest praise for the work they do. The girls are sent to the Home where they are classified and housed. The majority of them need segregation and medical treatment, and therefore, they are not allowed to mix with the girls in other sections of the Home, who are not of that type. At first they find it hard, but those who are willing to give up their sordid life settle down with a will and come through at the end with colours flying.

The Salvation Army Home is doing a tremendous amount of work in the direction of rehabilitating this class of girl, and our needs for a real big home are great. There is much to be done and we are only just beginning.

### REFUGEE ORPHANS

Now there is the question of refugee orphans of which there are quite a large number. This is another big problem. They seem to increase instead of decrease. They are found wandering about the streets, are sent to me from the police, pedestrians bring some in, others are left on doorsteps and tenants bring them to me and so it goes on.

Most of these children are sent in the first instance to the Po Leung Kuk, to which are also sent other cases needing investigation.

## NO PROTEST TO BE LODGED

There is no intention of lodging a protest against the search of Japanese establishments in Hongkong by the Police a few days ago. It was stated by the Japanese Consul-General, Mr. K. Okazaki, in reply to an inquiry by the Hongkong Daily Press yesterday.

Mr. Okazaki said that the searches were conducted some weeks ago in connexion with some radio licences, and that he did not consider the matter serious. There is no question of a protest being lodged.

It was revealed yesterday that the Special Branch of the Police had visited the premises of the Bank of Taiwan, the Hongkong News (Japanese weekly newspaper printed in Chater Road) and the residence of Mr. S. Kumamoto, chief correspondent of the Asahi Shimbun in Hongkong. In no cases were any articles removed and arrests made.

## POLICE COURT HEARING

### War Department Wins Claims For Girders

An application for the return of certain iron goods was brought by the War Department before Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

The application, which was brought by Capt. W. L. Freeman, R. E., was for an order that certain iron girders in the possession of defendant, the Tai On firm, of No. 6A, Sands Street, be returned to the complainant, a duly authorised representative of H. M. War Department, the iron girders having been unlawfully obtained from H. M. War Department.

Mr. W. M. Brown, for the complainant, said the application arose from another case which came up on Sept. 9. The goods in question were found in defendant's possession. He asked that the goods be returned to complainant without compensation.

### DEFENCE SUBMISSION

Mr. F. Zimmern, for the defendant, submitted that the goods were bought by defendant quite openly and an entry was made in the book, and said that if the goods were to be returned defendant should be paid some compensation.

Evidence was given by Capt. R. W. Rowell, of the R. E., who said that he had valued the girders which he put at \$250.

Det. Sgt. V. M. Morrison said he saw the goods in defendant's shop and later took them to No. 2 Police Station.

Questioned by Mr. Zimmern Sgt. Morrison said he looked into the book and found that defendant had purchased the girders for \$101.44.

The application was granted by the Magistrate.

Now it has developed into more of a home and has a mixed population, taking women and girls of all ages and boys up to the age of 10 years. It has increased in the number of inmates and instead of a mere handful, there is now an average of 300 inmates per month.

### PO LEUNG KUK

However there still remain a very large number of children on our books, 482 have already been transferred from the Po Leung Kuk to King's Park Camp which has been split up into the necessary sections, to cater solely for children.

I don't want you to form the impression that all children are ill-treated and beaten. There are many thousands of Chinese children in the Colony today, and the number, which comes under the wing of the S.C.A. is only a minute portion of the community.

Children, on the whole are very well cared for, their parents sacrifice a great deal for their children, but my work is connected with the sordid side of life and at times I am apt to overlook the other brighter side and merely take it for granted, so, to my Chinese friends I wish to apologise now for anything which I have said which might be misunderstood.

The vote of thanks to the speaker was proposed by Prof. L. Forster.

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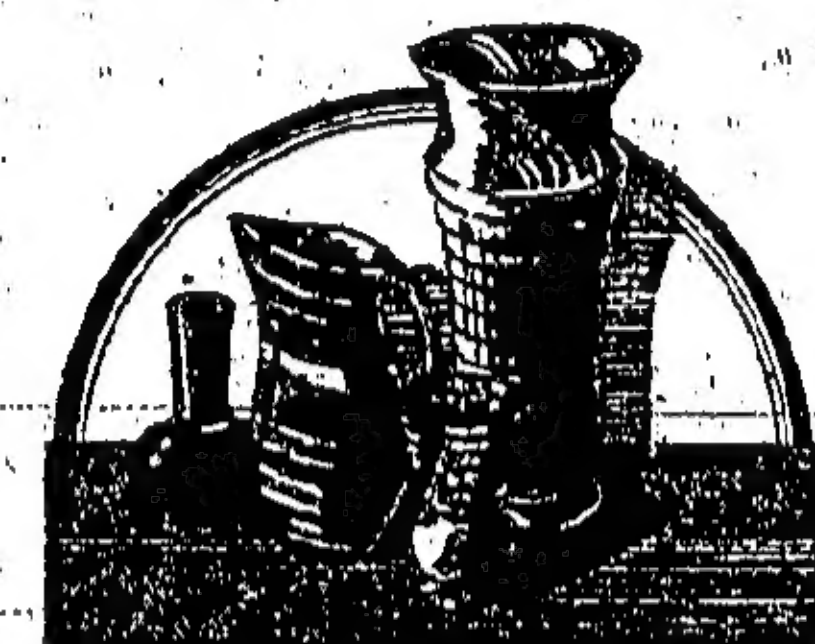
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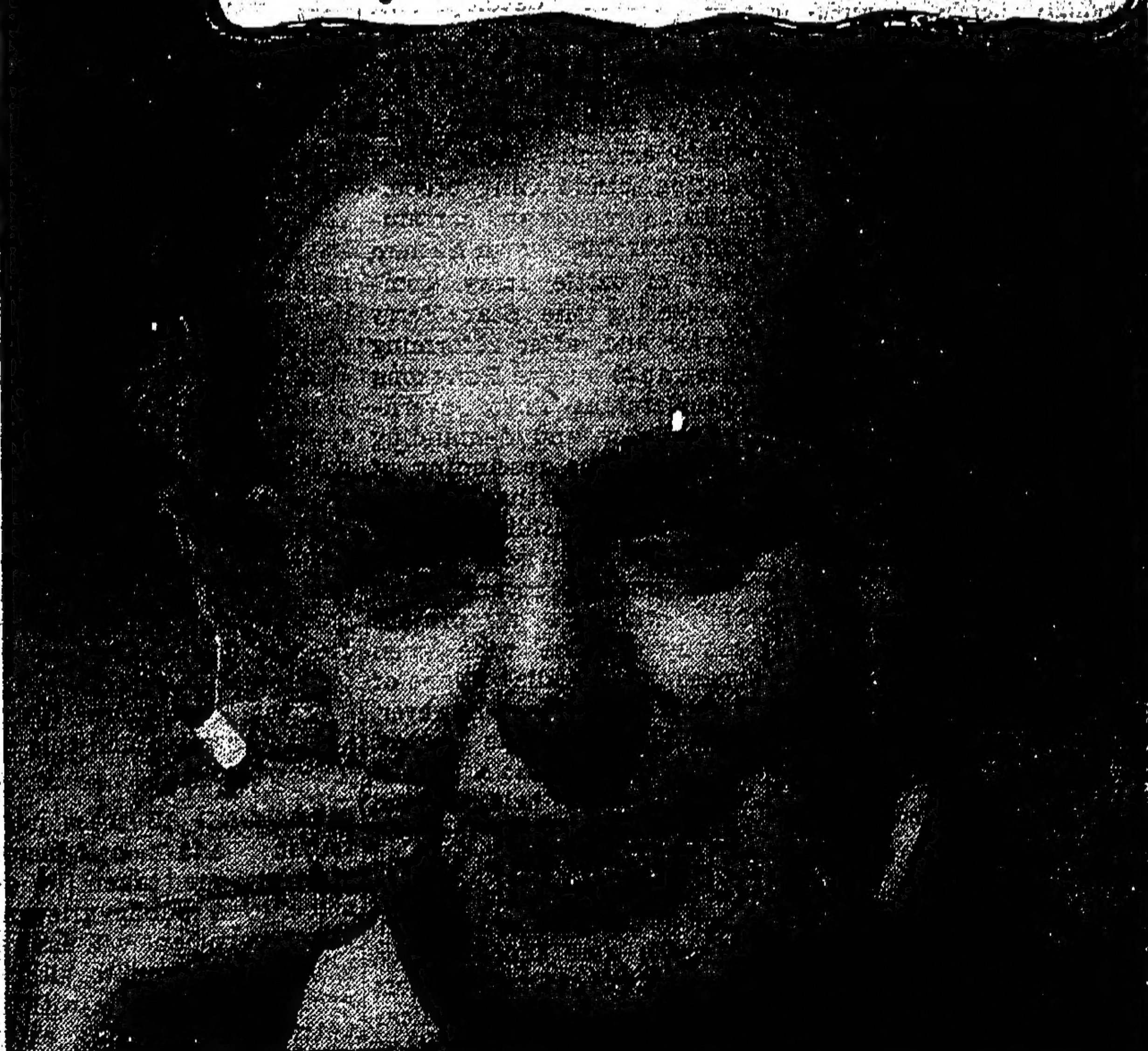
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### COME INTO THE GARDEN, MAUDE!

THE FEMININE HOWL that greeted the Government's declaration to complete the evacuation of the 100 per cent British women in Hongkong before the end of the year developed into a strange anti-climax on Monday. The announcement that a protest meeting was to be held to oppose the Government's decision aroused much interest and Hongkong's male folk waited developments which they felt sure would be bound to follow. They pictured hundreds of the Colony's would-be Mrs. Pankhursts emerging from their meeting, brandishing broomsticks, saucers and curtain-poles, marching down Nathan Road in battle array, commanding the Star Ferry Service and, after reforming their ranks on the Hongkong side, marching up to Government House and demanding the immediate rescinding of the order for further evacuation, the abolishing of the Evacuation Advisory Committee and the return of all those who are at present basking on the wide open spaces in Australia! None of these expectations, however, were fulfilled. The protest meeting—and what a protest meeting!—was held behind locked doors. The secrecy which veils all official actions in Hongkong appears to have infected this hen convention. Pressmen were shooed away, names of the militant leaders were withheld from publication and the only thing that emerged from this so-called protest gathering was the timid statement that some of a mammoth (?) petition would be drawn up for presentation to the Committee which meets today to decide the immediate future of the Colony's allegedly indispensable women!

THE FUTILITY of this method of trying to persuade the powers-that-be is obvious. The Colony's business

## FUNERAL OF MISS B. TILLMAN

### SUFFERED LONG ILLNESS

The funeral of Miss Beatrice Tillman, who died after a long illness at the Canossa Hospital on Monday morning, took place at the Catholic Cemetery yesterday. The Very Rev. Fr. G. M. Spada officiated.

Decensed was 34 years of age. Among those who attended the funeral were Mrs. Pearce, Miss M. White, Mrs. A. White, Mr. E. H. P. White, Mr. R. Marques, Mr. P. H. Suckling, Mr. A. K. Dimond, Mr. P. W. Osborne, Miss B. Aslett, Miss T. Rosario, Miss Huggie Hin, Miss V. Rosario, Miss P. Santos, Miss R. Xavier, Miss O. King, Miss B. Santos, Miss M. Silva, Mrs. M. S. Rosario and many others.

A wreath from The Children of Mary was interred with the casket. Wreaths were sent by Bill, Anita, Jo-Jo, Billy and Annette, Cecilia Chan, Dick and Neca, Rita and Marian, Vyvienne and Virginia, Mary, James and Andy, Connie Yu, P. H. Suckling, Mary Cheung, Thelma and Ocasor, Mr. and Mrs. E. V. M. R. Sousa, L. Gaddi, Miss Lena Oliveira, Mr. and Mrs. R. Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Triggs, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Burling, Mr. and Mrs. Hawke.

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## University Music Club Meeting

Dance music from Bach and Handel up to the present day composers was presented at a meeting of the Hongkong University Music Club last night, when a series of recordings on the gramophone of the work of 15 famous composers was played, members of the Club also illustrating on the piano and violin.

Mr. Rayson Huang violin and Mr. Au (Wai-man (piano) interpreted a minuet from Mozart and Mr. Tam Shui-to (violin), also accompanied by Mr. Au Wai-man, played a Spanish Dance tune from Granados. Mr. Yu Shek-shu played the waltz in C Sharp Minor from Chopin and several pieces of modern dance music, responding to several encores.

The composers represented on the programme were Bach, Handel, Gluck, Haydn, Mozart, Schubert, Weber, Berlioz, Chopin, Strauss, Brahms, Tchaikowsky, Albeniz and Granados. The dances included the gavotte, minuet and musette, chaconne and waltz.

## S. C. UNIVERSITY CELEBRATION

South China University celebrated its first anniversary yesterday on the campus, Peace Avenue. In the morning students from various classes presented valuable gifts to the school.

A varied programme, including Chinese music, plays and games, was given by the students in the evening. A special platform was erected on the playground for the occasion.

a wartime scale of payment, so that no one who can contribute by proving useful to the Colony's defence and war efforts might remain idle. Secret protest meetings should not be allowed to offer a cloak to enable those who have no essential qualifications to gain exemption from evacuation. The members of the Evacuation Advisory Committee will doubtless make searching inquiries when they meet today and what the public hopes is that no distinction or discrimination will be allowed to enter into their findings. If the women who have grounds for remaining in the Colony had expressed them openly at Monday's protest meeting and had exposed their grievances to the public, their cases for consideration by the authorities would have had greater weight. Their failure to do this has nullified the whole effort and those who have reasonable cause to show might well have to take any refusal that might be given their applications to-day, along with those who, realising the flimsy ground on which their agitation was based, were too timid to adopt a frank method of securing sympathy.

## "DOUBLE NINTH" FESTIVAL

### CHINESE VISIT TO PEAK

The Peak trams will be filled and graveyards crowded today when the Chinese will celebrate the "Chung Yang Festival," the ninth day in the ninth moon of the lunar calendar.

Once a year Chinese pay homage to their ancestors' tombs and in the evening they pray to their runners for blessing.

According to Chinese legend the "Double Ninth" serves another purpose. In the old days a man went on this date to the high mountains in order to avoid the evil spirit.

Not long ago the Chinese Central Government set forth this day as the Chinese "Parents' Day." Students in schools are encouraged to write to their parents to express their gratitude.

Last year many shops took a holiday to observe the occasion and the Peak tram offered reduced fare for Chinese travelling to the Peak. It is expected that the Festival will be observed in similar manner this year.

## CORRESPONDENCE

### HONGKONG FOOD SUPPLY

The Editor, Hongkong Daily Press Sir—I am much interested in your comments on the above subject in your issue of the 7th inst., and I also, as a resident of 40 years, have taken an interest in the development of the New Territory in the production of better fruit and vegetables. Files of the Hongkong Horticulture Society will show that as far back as 1921, a number of suggestions were made by me in that connexion. Since then however, interest in the subject has been transferred to the New Territories Agriculture Association who have done excellent pioneer work with the farmers in the Fanling district, and in normal times we might be content to wait until the Association's efforts had reached fruition.

There is today a very urgent need for a far greater output than is now obtainable, and, as you rightly point out, there is an almost unlimited supply of labour available. A certain amount of additional supply has been obtained through the efforts of Refugee Committees, but that only touches the fringe of the Colony's needs. With the usual sources of supply of fruit, etc. being cut off, the enormous increase in the cost of all market produce has become a great hardship on the population, particularly the poorer classes.

There are scores of suitable garden plots both on the Mainland and Lantau Island where Cabbage, beans, peas, onions, tomatoes, and even potatoes could be raised (though the latter not perhaps in sufficient quantity to be economical) and with reasonable supervision, their production could be made a profitable venture.

Government could, not possibly turn a deaf ear to a well formulated scheme, and I would make the suggestion that the Committees of N.T. Agriculture Association and the Hongkong Horticulture Society get together and select many more suitable plots of land for this urgent and important need.

Yours faithfully, J. OWEN HUGHES.

## Evacuation Of Women And Children From Bombed Areas Of London: Many Difficulties

THE DIFFICULTIES CONFRONTING the evacuation of women and children from the bombed areas of London were explained in a broadcast from Daventry last night.

The speaker said that although the scheme might look quite simple and straightforward, there were many problems which the authorities had to meet.

## URBAN COUNCIL MEETING

### PRESS ASKED TO LEAVE

A motion that the Council recommend to Government the grant of immediate authority to the Sanitary Department to organise, equip and carry out a departmental system for the collection of night soil from private premises, was passed in camera, it is understood by unanimous vote, at the meeting of the Urban Council held yesterday.

Addressing the meeting prior to putting forward the motion, the Chairman, Mr. W. J. Carrie, moved that the Press be asked to leave, as provided for by a section of the Ordinance governing the meetings, so that the matter before the Council could be discussed more informally.

### MOTION OPPOSED

Mr. B. Wong Tape, opposing the motion, said that the matter being referred to had been announced in the Press and he considered that the proceedings relative to the subject under discussion should be reported as it was a matter of great interest to the public.

Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy supported the Chairman in seconding the motion to exclude the Press from further proceedings, which was put to the meeting and carried.

There was a full attendance of members, those present being the Chairman, Mr. W. J. Carrie, the Vice-Chairman, Dr. N. C. MacLeod, Hon. Mr. H. J. Pearce, Hon. Mr. C. G. Perdue, Mr. F. C. Hall, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, Mr. A. E. Arculli, Dr. S. N. Chau, Mr. S. Wong Tape, Mr. Tang Shui-kin, Dr. A. M. Rodrigues, Mr. Li Tse-fong, Mr. C. J. Roe (Secretary) and Mr. Im Ping-seng (Asst. Sec.).

### PUBLIC LATRINES

The meeting moved also the erection of temporary public latrines of the open pit type on the following sites: Crown Land adjoining Lot No. 2153 S.D. 1 in Po Kong Village; Crown Land behind Lot No. 7174 S.D. 1 in Chuk Un Village; Crown Land near Lot No. 5798 S.D. 1 in Sheung Sha Po Village (near 51); Crown Land near Lot No. 5640 S.D. 1 in Nga

For instance, the question that arose when women and children were being moved away was: What about father? Who is to look after him? The woman next door? Mother would not think much of that, said the speaker, which all went to support the view humorously expressed in London that if you evacuate the mother, you will have to evacuate the woman next door!

That is how it stands, he went on. Families hate to be divided.

### WHAT ABOUT GRANDMA?

Then again: What about grandma? She has to go with us or we don't go. Is the position taken up.

Now, grandma is old and infirm and wants looking after. So the Government has asked old and infirm people whether they would not like to go to a comfortable hospital for a bit. But old people seem to have a horror of the word hospital. To them it is a mark of shame and disgrace.

There are all sorts of other reasons and these refusals to leave fell under three heads: 1. Inconvenience, 2. Families being separated, and 3. Personal safety.

It is all very understandable and all very human, said the speaker. "We are a home loving people and we mean to stick together. So you can realise how difficult it all is. What would you do in the circumstances?"

Tsin Wai Village; Crown Land inside Walled City between Southern and Eastern Gates.

Five applications for licences were refused. These were for an eating house licence for No. 33, Spring Garden Lane, ground floor, for an eating house licence for the side door of No. 151, Temple Street, ground floor, for a food factory (A) licence for No. 265, Portland Street, ground floor, for a food shop licence (fruit) for No. 328, Lai Chi Kok Road, ground floor, and for a food shop licence (fruit) for No. 95, Argyle Street, ground floor.

### LICENCES GRANTED

The list of licences granted by the Urban Council between Sept. 24 and Oct. 7 inclusive is as follows: Food Factories 1, Food Preserving Establishments 2, Food Shops 1, Milk Shops 1, Eating Houses 1 and Restaurants 1. Total 7.

## NEWSETTES

The special war-time intercession service at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, yesterday, was conducted by Mr. Rupert Baldwin. There was a moderate attendance. These weekly services are held at 6 p.m. on Tuesdays a different member of the Church Council taking the service on each occasion.

The social arranged by St. Andrew's Fellowship and held at St. Andrew's Hall last night in aid of Hongkong's War Effort, was well attended and was an unqualified success. Refreshments were provided by members of the Fellowship and the programme of games and other entertainments were in the hands of Miss W. Robinson.

An action was taken in the U. S. Court, Shanghai, on Sept. 30 when Mr. L. E. Hurst, represented by Mr. H. D. Rodger, petitioned for divorce from Mrs. M. M. Hurst, at present residing in America. The hearing took place before Judge Milton J. Helmick. The proceedings were adjourned for two months.

The death occurred on September 30, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, Lily, daughter of the late Captain and Mrs. Wilson Walker, of Nagasaki, Japan. The funeral (cremation) service was held in the Bubbling Well Cemetery Chapel on October 1.

In the presence of relatives and a number of close friends, funeral services for the late Miss Alice Tsang were held at the Chapel of the International Funeral Directors, 207, Kiao Chow Road.

The deceased has lived in Shanghai for the past ten years and she died on Sept. 25 after a long illness at the age of twenty-four years.

The death occurred on September 29, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, of Mr. Henry James Smith, aged 38 years, of the Yee Tsong Tobacco Distributors, Ltd. A Requiem Mass was held at the Church of Christ the King, 235, Rue Bourgeat, on Oct. 2.

It was with deep regret that the Russian community of Shanghai learned of the death of Lieut. General A. I. Isakoff, representative of the Russian Imperial House in Shanghai, who died after a brief illness at the Hospital of the Russian Orthodox Confraternity in Route de Say-Zong on Sept. 28.

The Joint Committee of Shanghai Women's Organizations held their first meeting of the season in the Green Room at the Shanghai Race Club on September 25, the Scandinavian Women's Association being the hostesses. After a short introductory speech welcoming members back from the summer recess Mrs. H. J. van Hengel, president of the Joint Committee, introduced to the audience Professor Winifred Cullis, who is on a tour of the Far East on behalf of the British Ministry of Information. A tiffin has been arranged by the Joint Committee which will give members of the constituent groups an opportunity to meet this distinguished lady in a more personal way.

## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

#### PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE GOODS of Alfred Edward Wyburn Hodgins late of The Aldens Martley near Worcester in the County of Worcester, England, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance 1897, made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 5th day of November, 1940.

All Creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the 8th day of October, 1940.

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,

Solicitors for the Executors, Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank Building, Hong Kong.

## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

#### PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE GOODS of JEAN DUBOIS late of 3 Gap Road, Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong, Jewellers Shop Manager, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Court has by virtue of the provisions of Section 58 of Ordinance No. 2 of 1897 made an order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to 2nd November, 1940.

All Creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

### DEACONS,

Solicitors for the Administratrix, 1, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong.



# Feared Bulgaria, Greece And Yugoslavia May Be Forced To Join Axis: Pincer Movement

LONDON IS WATCHING THE DEVELOPMENTS IN THE BALKANS, following the German announcement of German troops having been moved into Rumania, ostensibly for the protection of Rumanian oil interests against sabotage, according to a broadcast from America last night.

Political quarters see in this movement of troops an indication of the course which the war will take during the coming winter, but it is additionally feared that it might also be an attempt to force Bulgaria, Greece and Yugoslavia to join the Axis.

## NAZI PROTECTION FOR OIL FIELDS MOVE SEEN AS A STEP IN OCCUPATION OF RUMANIA

LONDON, Oct. 8 (From Reuters Diplomatic Correspondent).—The suggestion that two or three Nazi divisions are necessary for the protection of Rumanian oil fields from the danger of sabotage is too childish to deceive anybody.

The German advance really means the beginning of the occupation of Rumania and intensification of German control in the lower reaches of the Danube.

## JAPANESE REPLY TO ADM. HART

SHANGHAI, Oct. 8 (Reuters).—The Japanese naval and gendarmerie authorities in Shanghai have forwarded separate replies to Admiral Thomas C. Hart, C-in-C of the United States Asiatic Fleet, in connexion with the incident involving the alleged assault of a member of the U.S.S. Augusta crew by Japanese gendarmes on the Shanghai foreshore recently, it was revealed today by the American Naval authorities.

The Japanese naval reply was signed by Vice-Admiral Shigetaro Shimada, commanding the Japanese Third China Sea Fleet, while Major-General Saburo Miura, commanding officer of the Japanese Gendarmes in the Shanghai area has forwarded an additional reply made by the Gendarmerie.

## "REORGANISATION" OF CHINESE COURTS

SHANGHAI, Oct. 8 (Reuters).—Mayor Fu Si-en, of the Japanese-occupied Shanghai Special Municipality, has notified the Consular Body, the Municipal Council and the Nanking Government of his recent order, requiring all Russians here to refer their legal cases, whether criminal or civil to the Nantao District Court and not to the Special District Courts in Foreign areas, "pending the taking over and reorganisation" of the Chinese Courts in foreign areas, which take orders from Chungking.

SHANGHAI, Oct. 8 (Reuters).—The American Consulate-General in Shanghai is considering an incident on Sunday night when uniformed Japanese gendarmes, commanded by an officer, tried to enter the premises of the National City Bank, inside the Settlement.

## DIVE-BOMBING ATTACK ON ENEMY SUBMARINE

LONDON, Oct. 8 (Reuters).—Behind the award of the D.F.C. to Acting Flight-Lt. William Campbell, pilot of a flyingboat of the Middle East Command, lies the story of the destruction of two Italian submarines with bombs and an attack on another with machine-gun fire from the flyingboat of which Campbell was in charge, says an Air Ministry bulletin.

## MAYER PAYS "OUT OF COURT"

SHANGHAI, Oct. 8 (Reuters).—In an "out of court" settlement of the criminal charge of obtaining \$10,000 under false pretences from Messrs. Sennet Freres, jewellers, Rudolph W. Mayer, American, brother of Louis E. Mayer, noted executive of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer pictures, yesterday made payment of the money involved in the alleged fraud to the complainants through an intermediary, it was reliably learned this morning.

Mayer has eluded arrest by the American authorities since Thursday, when the U.S. Court here issued a warrant for his arrest.

Charles Richardson, Acting U.S. District Attorney here, stated today that the payment does not affect the charge and he indicated that the warrant of arrest will have to be carried out in view of the fact that the complaint lodged

It obviously suggests that the Germans have only moderate confidence in the powers of the Iron Guard to dominate the situation and it would be interesting to know whether this action is the first fruits of the Brenner talks.

The most interesting feature of the situation will be the Soviet reaction. Although Moscow may not show her feelings by any overt step or even comment, there can be no doubt that nothing is further from her wishes than to see Germany installed on the Black Sea.

This natural consequence of German occupation of Rumania will have a tremendous effect on all Near Eastern states and may eventually raise the question of the Bosphorus Straits in an acute form.

Bulgaria particularly will now be exposed to immediate German pressure, which also can hardly be pleasing to the Soviet.

It would not be surprising if the German action was followed by some parallel action by Italy, and if so it would confirm the suggestion that the Brenner talks agreed upon some Balkan plan.

Should this be accomplished, it is felt that a pincer movement through the Balkans and the Mediterranean will be made on Turkey, pressuring a new drive by the Axis to the Middle East, with the oilfields of Iran as the goal.

In the meantime, the British Government has rejected the Rumanian explanation to the protest lodged against the arrest and maltreatment of Britons in Rumania, stated a news bulletin broadcast from Daventry last night.

INDEPENDENCE AT END.  
It was added that the British Government was considering the recall of the British Minister in Bucharest, as Britain feels that Rumanian independence is now at an end.

Reports from the United States state that the British and American envoys in Moscow are working for the co-ordination of more British, American and Russian aid for China against Japan.

It is felt in Moscow that the new Tripartite Pact is not aimed at Russia and that Russia can therefore continue her assistance to China.

## YUNNAN MINING CORPORATION

SHANGHAI, Oct. 8 (Reuters).—The Kokui Mining Company and the Kokui Tin Refining Company have been reorganised into a new corporation known as the Yunnan Mining Corporation for the purpose of intensifying Yunnan's tin output, according to the Chinese Press which adds that large-scale mining work is beginning this month.

## HEAVY BOMBS DROPPED ON THREE MAIN POWER STATIONS IN BERLIN

LONDON, OCT. 8 (REUTERS).—OVER 100 HEAVY BOMBS WERE DROPPED ON THREE MAIN POWER STATIONS IN BERLIN LAST NIGHT, states an Air Ministry communique, which says that yesterday R.A.F. bombers attacked large concentrations on the Dutch coast and shipping at Le Havre.

In the course of routine patrols in the English Channel, Coastal Command aircraft shot down an enemy fighter in flames.

Last night strong forces of bombers made successful attacks on military objectives in Berlin. A large fire was caused at a Tempelhof goodsyard. Several industrial plants were attacked.

Other forces of the aircraft heavily bombed the Fokker works at Amsterdam. Attacks were also made on naval docks at Wilhelmshaven and goodsyards at Hamm.

DAMAGE ADMITTED  
NEW YORK, Oct. 8 (Reuters).—A report from Berlin officially admits damage to "railway facilities" in one of the longest raids of the war on Berlin.

It adds that a large number of bombs were dropped and fires started but they were quickly extinguished.

## LEGAL ACTION PROBABLE

SHANGHAI, Oct. 8 (Reuters).—Legal action will probably be taken by the pro-Soviet newspaper, the Russian Daily News, against the "Russian Emigrants' Committee and two White Russian papers in Shanghai, Zaria and Slovo, following the latter's publication of the Committee's warning that Russian emigres abstain from dealings of any sort with the pro-Soviet paper.

## GIRL GUIDES' ACTIVITIES

The meeting of Hongkong Rangers which was to have taken place at the Girl Guide Headquarters, Sandilands Hut, yesterday evening did not take place owing to the fact that only one Ranger attended.

It is understood that almost all the Rangers in the Colony have been evacuated and it is a question whether the Guides' activities would be continued until times returned to normal.

Chan Sam and Chan Yim, boatwomen, were each fined \$10 in default, 10 days' imprisonment when they appeared before Comdr. T. O. Stiff at the Marine Court yesterday on a charge of approaching within 30 yards of a ship flying the "S" flag on Monday.

## U.S.-JAPAN SHOWDOWN

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possibility of Soviet participation in the war on the side of the Allies.

RAPID ACTION  
Britain's reopening of the Burma Road on Oct. 17 will be the signal for the start of a rapid Japanese action, it is forecast.

It is believed that Japan will immediately press for a show-down, exerting strong pressure on Britain and American possessions and interests in the Far East, probably striking at Tientsin, Shanghai and Hongkong.

At the same time, Japan will, through arrangements with Indo-China and Siam, launch an attack on Burma, partly for the purpose of blocking the passage of supplies to China along the Burma Road and also seize the most important naval base in the Far East—Singapore, it is believed here.

It is thought that Chinese troops may then move into Burma to support the British defence of Burma, while the United States Fleet must take action against Japan to prevent the seizure of Singapore.

JAPAN MUST RETALIATE  
TOKYO, Oct. 8 (Reuters).—"Japan must retaliate with military measures if America attempts to interfere in the Pacific," so declared Mr. Seigo Nakano, head of the former Tokoku Party, in a Press interview yesterday.

"If America bans the export of oil and scrap iron, Japan must secure oil from the East Indies by restoring them as an Asiatic country and acquiring control of their resources."

He also advocated the taking over of the Tientsin and Shanghai concessions and requesting British evacuation of Hongkong. He urged Japanese action to forestall joint Anglo-American use of naval bases by seizing strategic points.

Despite the bellicose tone imputed to official Japanese statements regarding the Three-Power alliance, Japan's greatest hope is avoidance of a conflict with the United States, according to official circles.

FACT FOR PEACE  
The Tripartite Pact is sold to the public as a pact for peace.

Meanwhile, it is emphasised to the world that Japan is technically committed to fight should the United States enter the war against the Axis.

The last thing Japan wants is to be forced to fulfil this commitment.

Evidently, the pact is regarded as a contribution to peace so far as it may restrain the United States from entering the war. Officials at first emphasised that the pact was directed against no particular nation. When the reaction proved contrary to hopes, statements by Prince Konoye (Premier), Mr. Yosuke Matsukata (Foreign Minister), and Mr. Suma (Foreign Office spokesman) followed in an attempt to impress on the United States that the consequences of the commitments were inexorable and inevitable.

AT STALEMATE  
Japanese-American relations are likely to continue at a stalemate indefinitely while there is lacking a suitable opening for either side to take the initiative.

Mr. Suma, indicated that the United States is insisting on a settlement of alleged violations of rights in China before negotiations for a general adjustment but that is obviously difficult during hostilities.

## REOPENING OF BURMA ROAD SIGNAL FOR START OF RAPID AND DECISIVE DEVELOPMENTS

CHUNGKING, Oct. 8 (Reuters).—The Chinese people tend to consider the Sino-Japanese conflict no longer as a struggle between China and Japan but as a part of the world war in which the United States, Britain and the Soviet Union will soon be playing a leading part against the Axis' new ally in the Far East.

China's fate, it is believed, will depend on the outcome of this "battle of giants."

The reopening of the Burma Road on October 17, at the end of the agreed period of temporary closure, is expected to prove the signal for the start of rapid and decisive developments.

General opinion here is that Japan will immediately press for a show-down, exerting the strongest pressure on British and American interests in the Far East.

The Chinese feel international developments are rapidly turning in their favour since they are convinced of United States supremacy over Japan in resources as

## JAPAN IS SCARED

### NEW YORK PRESS COMMENT

NEW YORK, Oct. 8 (Reuters).—"The enormous amount of noise coming out of Tokyo is bluff, for Japan is scared and desperate," declared the NEW YORK HERALD-TRIBUNE in a leader today.

"She has thrown her lot in with the Totalitarian Powers in the hope that a German victory would draw the American Fleet to the Atlantic and so the United States would not be able to resent her depredations in Greater East Asia."

"Premier Konoye and Foreign Minister Matsukata are trying to shout their way out of their commitment with the Axis, but they are terribly scared that their army is third rate and more than waist-deep in the Chinese bog. Their navy is untried and short of fuel and financially they are down to their population's jewellery," the paper asserted.

BADLY SCARED  
"If the invasion of Britain fails, Mr. Matsukata will be very badly scared indeed, for the British Fleet may then come back to Singapore and with the United States Fleet will proceed to put the Japanese Fleet in bankruptcy and Japan in quarantine."

"The more the Japanese think of this, the worse they are scared and the louder they whoop," the paper concluded.

## NOT FATALLY WOUNDED

SHANGHAI, Oct. 8 (Reuters).—The Settlement authorities this morning stated that the Chinese soldier who attempted to escape from the "Doomed Battalion" internment camp yesterday was not fatally wounded, but is now "in a favourable condition."

He was shot and wounded in the neck by a Russian Regiment sentry on guard at the camp. Official quarters also stated today that the situation at the camp is now quiet.

## POLICE REPORTS

Lee Yee, aged 56, attempted to commit suicide by jumping from the Yaumatei ferry launch while on a journey from Hongkong to Mongkok. The man was rescued by Kwok Yun, coxswain of motorboat E. 5.

Shortly after 1 p.m. yesterday a fire broke out on board lunk T3412R in Shaikwan Bay. The craft was loaded with general cargo and some kerosene. A fire-boat and an appliance put out the fire by 2 p.m. The extent of the damage is at present unknown. No person was injured.

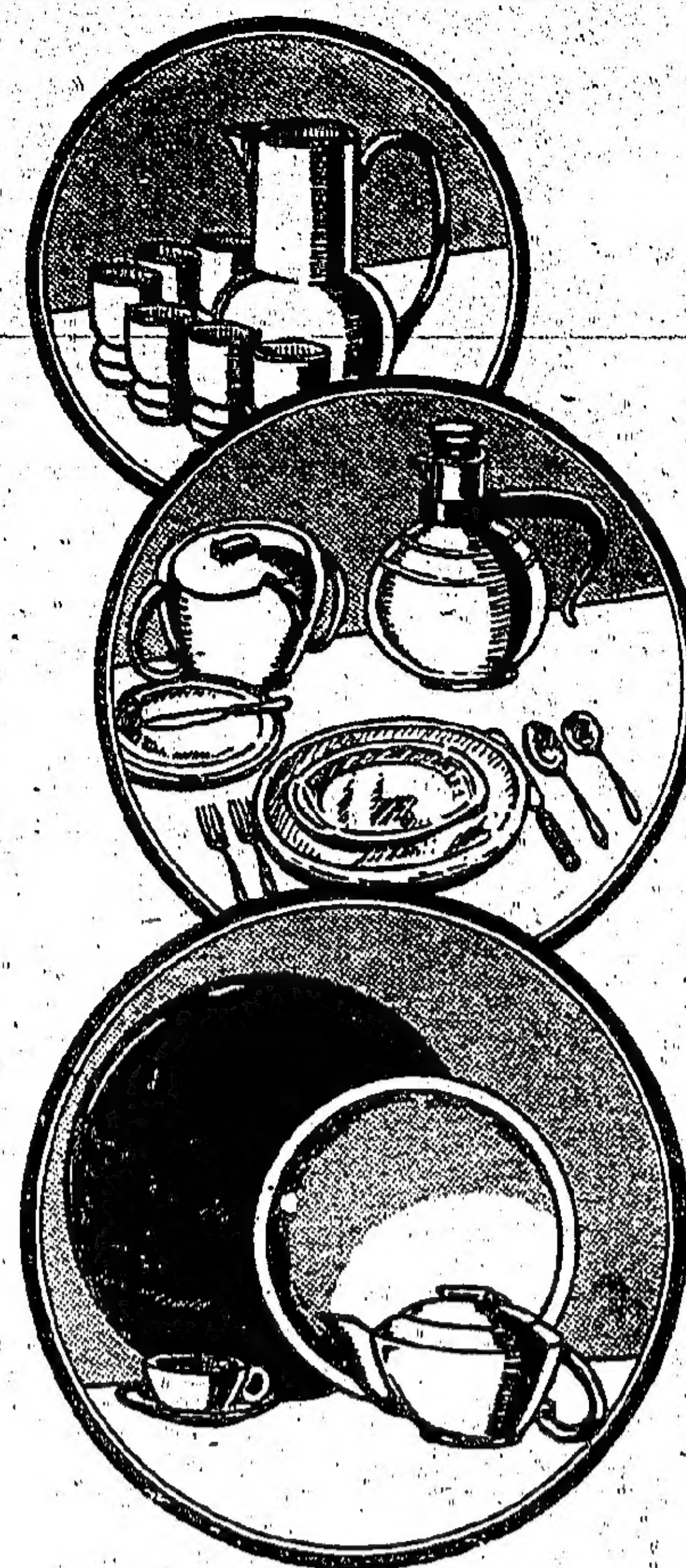
## THE WEATHER

The maximum temperature yesterday was 84 and the minimum 78, compared with 86 and 76 on Monday.

Total rainfall since Jan. 1 is 112.72 inches against an average of 79.75.

The Royal Observatory report states:—

"A weak anticyclone remains over China and the neighbouring seas, and a trough of relatively low pressure extends from the Philippines to the Pacific eastward of the Marianas."



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## COLONY HEALTH BULLETIN

The following is the Return of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the week ended at midnight on October 5:—Cholera, 25 cases (20 deaths and one imported case); Diphtheria, four cases (one death); Enteric Fever, 40 cases (13 deaths and one imported case); Measles, four cases (one death); Chicken-Pox, one case; Dysentery, 36 cases (11 deaths); Tuberculosis, 203 cases (161 deaths and four imported cases).

### DAILY RETURN

The Return for the 24 hours ended at midnight on October 7 is as follows:—Cholera, three cases; Diphtheria, one case; Enteric Fever, two cases; Cerebro-Spinal Fever, one case; Dysentery, 10 cases; Tuberculosis, 52 cases (one imported).

### Dr. Tsai Yuan-pei Memorial Fund

Donations to the Dr. Tsai Yuan-pei Memorial Fund have almost reached \$100,000. This was announced at the meeting of Dr. Tsai's Funeral Committee yesterday.

The Fund will be used largely for promotion of cultural pursuits.

A Custody Committee comprising Dr. Chu Chia-hui, Dr. Wang Shih-chieh, Dr. Monlin Chiang, Mr. Yeh Kung-cho, Mr. Y. M. Chien, Mr. Wong Yun-wu, Mr. Chen Te-ju, Mr. Zen Hung-chun and Mrs. Tsai Yuan-pei was organised.

LONDON, Oct. 8 (Reuters)—The third batch of the 50 destroyers given to Britain by the United States has now arrived at an east Canadian port.

## RADIO PROGRAMMES

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Go Wrong (Johnson and Others); Rock and Roll (Clare-Whitting)—The Boswell Sisters. Humorous Sketch—Sandy, The Dentist—Sandy Powell. Organ—Roberta—Film Selection; Sweet Music—Film Selection—Reignald Dixon. Vocal—Fill The Lights of London Shine Again (Concert-Folia)—Phyllis Robins with Orchestra. 11.00 Close down.

### MONTHLY REPORT

The monthly broadcasting report for September states that actual hours of transmission totalled 423 of which 213 were devoted to European Programmes and 210 to Chinese Programmes as follows:

### ZBW (EUROPEAN)

Morning transmission 682, Evening transmission 1462.

During the month apart from recorded programmes the following items were broadcast:

Studio Plays 1, Studio Recitals 7, Studio Talks 16, Local Relays (including Church Services) 5, Sunday Evening Epilogue 5, Variety Relays (including News) 73.

### ZBK (CHINESE)

Morning transmission 50, Evening transmission 150.

During the month apart from recorded programmes the following items were broadcast:

Studio Concerts 23, Theatre Relays 0, Studio Talks 25, Children's Concerts 8.

New Licenses issued during September, 1940—268.

Renewals of Licenses during September, 1940—350.

Total Licenses issued during 1940—11,632.

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- 23 Musical note
- 27 Witnessing clause of a writ
- 29 Porcelo
- 30 Writing fluid
- 32 River in France
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SOLUTION TOMORROW

## ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

### AT CENTRAL

#### POSSESSION OF ARMS

Two boatmen, Lam Sun-shui, 30, steersman, and Lam Pong-man, 30, junk foki, appeared before Mr. H. G. Sheldon yesterday charged with possession of one rifle and 57 rounds of rifle ammunition on board junk No. T3846H in Shaikwan harbour on Oct. 5, without a licence.

First defendant pleaded guilty to the charge, while the charge against second defendant, who pleaded not guilty, was withdrawn by the Police.

P.C. W.L. Kinloch said the rifle and ammunition was found on board the junk on Saturday afternoon during a routine search. There was no licence on board and defendant was given four days to prove it.

Lam was fined \$5 or one month's imprisonment.

#### ASSAULT CHARGE

Appearing before Mr. Sheldon yesterday on remand Wong Wu, 24, unemployed shop foki, who is charged with assaulting Lam Tam-kwong, 29, each coolie, and causing the complainant grievous bodily harm at No. 139, Wanchai Road, first floor, was again remanded till Oct. 18.

Det.-Sgt. V. M. Morrison, in making the application for remand, said complainant was still in hospital. Complainant was getting better now though he was at one stage in a critical condition.

#### WIDOW IN COURT

A 33-year-old widow, Kwan Kwai, appeared before Mr. Sheldon yesterday charged with breach of a deportation order.

Kwan was banished on Jan. 29 this year for 10 years.

Three months' imprisonment with hard labour was imposed by the Magistrate.

#### DET.-SGT. MORRISON PROSECUTED

Chung Shui, 32, unemployed, and Yu Kwai, 27, odd job coolie, charged with burglary at No. 48, Ship Street, first floor, on Oct. 6, appeared before Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

Second defendant was additionally charged with receiving the stolen property, a quantity of clothing.

Chung pleaded guilty to the charge and was sentenced to four months' hard labour.

Following evidence second defendant was discharged on both counts.

#### DET.-SGT. MORRISON PROSECUTED

EUROPEANS FINED  
Summoned for not having a licence for his car, No. 913, which was parked in the Connaught Road car park, F. A. Sutton, of Dina House, was fined \$10 by Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

Sutton admitted the charge and said that his car was broken up in July and since then had never been made use of.

Traffic Insp. Clark said the car had been lying about in a public thoroughfare for a considerable time.

Pleading guilty through a letter S. Bern, of No. 11 Glenealy, who was summoned for failing to have a licence disc on the windscreen of his car, was fined \$10.

#### EXPULSION ORDER

An expulsion order was made against Ng Yen Van Hot, 33, who was charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday with entering the Colony without a valid passport.

Ng was a passenger on board a ship which arrived in the Colony on Oct. 7.

#### COOLIE FINED

Fine of \$25 or one month's imprisonment was imposed by Mr. Sheldon yesterday on Li Sam, 32, coolie, who was charged with possession of 15 pieces of wild tree wood at Island Road, near Cha Wan Gap.

#### COMMITTED TO SESSIONS

A 21-year-old spinster, Li Man, was committed to the next Criminal Sessions by Mr. Lowry yesterday on a charge of possession of dangerous drugs.

Li was alleged to have had in her possession on Sept. 9, at No. 4 Lat Shing Street, 36 ounces of cocaine hydrochloride, and also 1-8/12 ounces of cocaine, inside a safe deposit in the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.

Defendant, who was represented by Mr. Percy Chen, instructed by Mr. Alfred S.K. Lau, reserved her defence yesterday.

Revenue Officer W.V. Ahern prosecuted.

### UNLAWFUL COLLECTION

Ng Cheuk-man, 38, Chinese doctor, Tse Kwai-sin, 28, widow, Kwan Lai-yin, 25, spinster, and Tsui Sau-tsun, 17, spinster, and Tsui Siu-chun, 22, married woman, were charged before Mr. Himsforth with collecting for charity without a permit from the authorities.

It was stated that the last four defendants were seen selling flowers and badges at Nathan Road about 4.15 p.m. on Monday. They said that they were asked by the first accused to raise money for the Chung Wah Ambulance Corps. When asked for a permit from the Hon. C. P. they failed to produce one and were arrested.

The first defendant, who was the actual organiser of this thing, had his \$50 bail estreated when he failed to appear in Court yesterday.

The last four defendants were cautioned.

### PUBLIC MISCHIEF

Chung Yin-kwong, 20, was charged before Mr. Himsforth yesterday with causing a public mischief by writing letters purporting to be written by Chiu Yin-fung, demanding \$1,000 and \$500 from Luk Cheong, 48, shop foki, and Chan Cheung-hoi, contractor, respectively.

The defendant was bound over in the sum of \$20 for one year.

The accused said that he had no intention of blackmailing but only tried to cause his friend a little trouble.

### POSSESSION OF DAGGER

Chan Chiu-wah, 29, and Ng Chiu-shu, 32, appeared before Mr. Himsforth yesterday for another remand.

They were charged with conspiracy with intent to commit a larceny from the person at Nelson Street.

The first accused was additionally charged with having in his possession a dagger.

### ONE DISCHARGED

The third of three defendants, Ho Sai-ching, 27, junk foki, Chan Yau-tong and Wong Shing, who were charged with conspiracy with intent to steal 530 bags of flour and 25 cases of cigarettes from Shun Cheong, 70 cases of cigarettes from Pun Chak-cheung, 70 cases of cigarettes from Wong Kwai-sang and 102 cases of herbs from Shuen Kwong-yuen, was discharged by Mr. Himsforth yesterday owing to lack of evidence against him.

The other two defendants were remanded until October 22.

### JUNK MASTER FINED

Ho Pak, 28, master of junk No. 1395, was charged before Mr. Himsforth yesterday with breach of the Dangerous Goods Regulation by having 499 tins of petroleum on board his junk in the Hungghum sea wall near the Radio Station on October 7.

The defendant was fined \$50, or in default, one month in prison.

### CHARGE DISMISSED

A charge against Laurence Justianino Castilho, 36, of No. 14 Fort Street, ground floor for alleged assault of Sgt. R. Summers, of the Royal Scots, at the Hongkong Hotel on Monday night, was dismissed by Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday owing to the absence of both parties.

### LOBBY DRIVER FINED

Summoned for driving without due care and caution at Pokfulam Road on Sept. 10, Li Ngau, driver of lorry No. 759, was fined \$10 by Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

### AT KOWLOON

#### BROTHER KEEPER EXPELLED

Lai Kai, 50, was charged before Mr. Q. A. Macfadyen yesterday with keeping a European brothel at No. 14 Reclamation Street first floor.

Three girls and two men were found on the premises. The defendant was fined \$20 or, in default, one month in prison.

Lo Pui, 32, of No. 39 Shamshui Street, and Ho Kam, of 412 Reclamation Street, appeared for the same charge. Four girls and two men were found at the first address, while 15 girls and 18 men were found on the second premises.

Lo was fined \$15 or three weeks in prison. He was sentenced to one month's imprisonment and to be expelled.

#### DEFENDANTS DISCHARGED

Three defendants, Ma Yuk-piu, Wong Kin-fat and Tai San-wah, who were charged with receiving stolen property, were discharged by Mr. Macfadyen yesterday owing to the possibility of mistaken identities.

All defendants were alleged to have received 631 chickens which had been obtained through an armed robbery at Ping Shan outside of the Colony. The first defendant was additionally charged of receiving 110 pigs.

Mr. Hui-shing to appeared for the first accused.

#### CIGARETTES FROM BUTTS

Appearing before Mr. Macfadyen yesterday on a charge of manufacturing cigarettes without a licence, Tang Kam, 41, was fined \$5 or seven days in prison. The defendant was found manufacturing cigarettes from cigarette ends.

#### THEFT OF MILK

Ng Mui was remanded for 24 hours when he was charged before Mr. Macfadyen yesterday with stealing a bottle of milk from a milk boy, Kwan Tia, of the Wing Sang Dairy Company on Monday.

The milk boy delivered the milk at No. 17 Jordan Road and when he came out he found one bottle missing. He saw the defendant running and gave chase and arrested him.

## LAMMERTS' AUCTIONS

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions

to sell by

### PUBLIC AUCTION

on

Wednesday, the 9th October, 1940

commencing at 10.30 a.m.

at No. 134 Al. Austin Road, Kowloon.

A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

On View from Tuesday, the 8th October, 1940.

Terms: Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., AUCTIONEERS.

## LAMMERTS' AUCTIONS

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions

to sell by

### PUBLIC AUCTION

on

Friday, the 11th October, 1940

commencing at 10.30 a.m.

at No. 46B, Nathan Road (2nd Floor), Kowloon.

A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

On View from Thursday, the 10th October, 1940.

Terms: Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., AUCTIONEERS.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions

to sell by

### PUBLIC AUCTION

on

Friday, the 11th October, 1940

commencing at 2.30 p.m.

at their Sales Room, No. 35, Han-kow Road, Kowloon.

A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

comprising:—

Teakwood, Dining Room, Drawing Room, Bed Room and Office Furniture, Carpets, Rugs, Table Fans, Lamps, Perambulators, Gramophones and Records, Cutlery, Clocks, Pictures, E. P. Brass, Porcelain and Glass Ware, Curses, Ornaments, Cooking Utensils, etc., etc.

also

A QUANTITY OF BLACKWOOD AND RATTAN FURNITURE

and

1 Tientsin Carpet

1 Piano Accordion

1 Combination Safe

1 Iron Safe

1 "Rolliecord" Camera

2 Dining Room Stools

also

1 Reflex Camera F2.9

1 Victor Lens

1 Western Exposure Meter

1 Lot Camera Accessories

On View from Thursday, the 10th October, 1940.

Terms: Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., AUCTIONEERS.



## Finance and Commerce

### TRADE UNION CONGRESS: BRITISH WORKERS PRAISED BY MR. WILLIAM HOLMES

#### Unequivocal Attitude Of Labour Towards The War

LONDON, Oct. 8 (BWS). — "I regard the past year's work with pride and satisfaction. We have surrendered or compromised no vital Trade Union interest. On the contrary we have secured for the Trade Union principles a fuller measure of recognition and a more extended application of these principles, and I believe there is more generous understanding and appreciation of them than ever before."

These words were spoken yesterday to 550 delegates attending the Trade Union Congress by the President, Mr. William Holmes, when the attitude of organised labour in Britain towards the war was unequivocally expressed.

### ITALIANS LACK OIL FUEL

#### Shortage Discussed At Brenner?

BERNE, Oct. 8 (Reuter). — Oil shortage is a frequent topic of conversation in Rome, say travellers arriving here.

Many think that this was an important subject of discussion between Hitler and Mussolini at Brenner, especially as political observers in Rome believe that oil supplies expected from the U.S.S.R. have failed to arrive.

The inactivity of the Italian fleet is ascribed to the necessity of economising in oil fuel and this reason is also given for Italy's refraining from attacking Greece although her troops have long been held in readiness in Albania.

Reports from Rome state that a number of German officers and technicians as well as dive-bombers are attached to Marshal Graziani's army in Africa, but the Germans have not yet been able to transport troops and war material to Libya.

"PARTY WAR" Travellers have stressed the lack of war enthusiasm in Italy and the detachment with which the Italians regard the conflict which is frequently called a "Party War."

Travellers who have been both in Rome and Berlin consider that the morale of the German public is more affected than that of the people of Rome. It is stated that the Italians as yet scarcely feel the war while Berliners' stamina, undermined by many years of short rations, is being badly shaken by air raids.

### TIENTSIN FUR RESTRICTIONS

#### Exporters' Appeal To Washington

CHUNGKING, Oct. 8 (Reuter). — It is officially revealed that Japanese fighters appeared over Chengtu for the first time on Saturday. About noon 18 Japanese fighters reached the city, half an hour before the arrival of bombers.

They were engaged by Chinese fighters as well as anti-aircraft fire.

The invaders, fighters swept the northern outskirts of Chengtu with heavy machine-gun fire. Later 27 Japanese bombers appeared and strafed the north-western outskirts of the city.

Three Japanese bombers are said to have been damaged by Chinese anti-aircraft fire, and "did not reach their base."

On the previous day, October 4, Japanese aircraft bombed the north-eastern outskirts of Chengtu.

### HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Tuesday, Oct. 8, 1940.

SALES		
China Providents	500	\$ 4.10
H.K. Hotels	500	3.10
H.K. Ropes	500	5.60
China Lights (O)	250	6.60
	400	6.60

2,150  
The total value is \$10,600.00.

### U.S. CREDITS FOR BRITAIN

#### Move For Repeal Of Johnson Act

PHILADELPHIA, October 8 (Reuter). — President Roosevelt may be counted upon to support the repeal of the Johnson Act, to enable credits to be extended to Britain if the war should be prolonged to a point at which Britain's present cash resources end, declares the Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Inquirer.

The correspondent adds that according to informed circles in Washington, the Administration's lack of interest in Senator King's Bill for repeal of the Act is due to the fact that Britain is not immediately in need of American credits.

### EMPIRE WOLFRAM FOR BRITAIN

LONDON, Oct. 8 (Reuter). — Negotiations are now proceeding for the renewal of the Ministry of Supply's wolfram contract with Empire producers. Producers are asking for higher prices but the trade considers that the present price of 50/- F.O.B. is reasonable since it relieves the producer from all shipping risks.

### HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE. SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	TUESDAY 8 OCT.	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
				<b>Banks</b>				
			\$1300	H.K. Banks				\$1300
			\$74	Do. (Col. Reg.)				\$74
			\$64	Do. (Lon. Reg.)				\$64
			\$26	Chartered Banks				\$26
			\$284	Mercantile Bks. "A"				\$284
			\$210	Mercantile Bks. "B"				\$210
			\$72	Bank of East Asia				\$72
				N. C. & S. Banks				
			\$200	Canton Insurance				\$200
			\$1	Union Insurance				\$1
			\$150	H.K. Fire				\$150
				<b>Shipping</b>				
			\$120	Douglas				\$120
			\$110	Steamships				\$110
			\$100	Indo-China (Prof.)				\$100
			\$80	Indo-China (Def.)				\$80
			\$57 1/2	Shells				\$57 1/2
			\$6.90	Waterboats				\$6.90
				<b>Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.</b>				
			\$91	H.K. & S. Wharves				\$91
			\$4.30	Provisions				\$4.30
			\$164	H.K. Docks (Old)				\$164
			\$164	H.K. Docks (New)				\$164
			\$202	Shanghai Docks				\$202
				<b>Mining</b>				
			\$14/0	Railways				\$14/0
			\$8	Rams				\$8
				Hong Kong Mines				
				<b>Lands, Hotels and Buildings</b>				
			\$304	H.K. & S. Hotels				\$304
			\$100	H.K. Lands				\$100
			\$10	Do. 4% Debentures				\$10
			\$3.15	Shanghai Lands				\$3.15
				H.K. Realities				
			\$101 1/2	Thompsons				\$101 1/2
				Chinese Estates				
			\$39	Cotton Mills				\$39
			\$181	Ewo (S.)				\$181
				S'hai Cottons (S.)				
			\$7.40	Zoong Sings (S.)				\$7.40
			\$3.70	Wing On Textiles (S.)				\$3.70
				Public Utilities				
			\$6.90	H.K. Tramways				\$6.90
			\$6.80	Peak Trams (old)				\$6.80
				Peak Trams (new)				
			\$6.90	China Lights (O)				\$6.90
			\$6.80	China Lights (New)				\$6.80
			\$17	H.K. Electric (Old)				\$17
			\$16	H.K. Electric (New)				\$16
			\$11	Macao Electric (Old)				\$11
			\$23	Macao Electric (New)				\$23
				Sandakan Lights				
				Telephones (old)				
				Telephones (new)				
				S'pore Tractions (Ord.)				
			\$14.90	Industrials				\$14.90
			\$12	Cald. Macg. (Ord.) S.				\$12
			\$1	Cald. Macg. (Pref.) S.				\$1
			\$6.80	Canton Ice				\$6.80
			\$89	Cement				\$89
			\$85	H.K. Ropes				\$85
			\$95	H.K. Govt. Loans				\$95
				4% Loan (1934)				
				5% Loan (1940)				
				<b>Miscellaneous</b>				
			\$18	Dairy Farms				\$18
			\$1.60	Construction (old)				\$1.60
			\$1	Construction (new)				\$1
			\$7.45	Lane Crawford				\$7.45
			\$2.15	Nanyang Tobacco				\$2.15
			\$81	Sincere				\$81
			\$35 1/2	Watsons				\$35 1/2
			\$39	Ch. G. S. 1925GBds				\$39
				L.K. Wing On				
			\$8	S'hai Wing On				\$8
				Vibro Piling				
			\$8	Marmans Inv. (Lon)				\$8
				Marmans Inv. (H.K.)				
				Wm. Powell				
				Sale to Shanghai				

### Padi Cultivation: New Schemes To Make For Self-Sufficiency

Subsidy fees, ranging from \$30 to \$35, for the clearance and cultivation of every acre of rice field allotted, by the Government, will be paid to hundreds of Chinese and Malay padi cultivators in the State of Johore shortly when the subsidiary rice cultivation scheme of the State, approved some three months ago, is launched, says the Malaya Tribune.

Intended as a means to provide further encouragement to the colonisation of areas where rice can reasonably be expected to be successfully cultivated, this step by Government is regarded in various circles as a further step towards the self-supporting drive of the State, and of Malaya.

The actual amount of money to be paid to a colonist will, however, depend entirely on the amount of clearing work he has to do before he can start work on his field.

It is understood that several thousands of Chinese and Malays have already signified their willingness to take up lands allotted by the Government.

The months which have lapsed since the approval of the scheme have been spent on delineation of lands for Chinese and Malays, as well as for investigations to be made regarding the fertility of the allotments so as to ensure a good response.

Johore's expanse of rice cultivation has risen quite considerably since two or three years ago, but this figure is still considered inadequate.

The area now under cultivation is believed to be approximately 12,000 acres, an increase of about

8,000 over the acreage of three years ago.

This considerable increase has been due particularly to the Government's contribution by way of irrigation schemes, on which a large sum of money has been spent.

It is noteworthy that all the fields to be allotted to the people will benefit by these schemes, thus being assured of a regular supply of water.

#### OTHER FOODSTUFFS

Simultaneously with the colonisation of these padi fields will be the start of subsidiary schemes to make Johore more self-sufficient as regards other food crops and livestock.

It is believed that Chinese colonists are expected to grow vegetables in their allotments as well, while the rearing of poultry and pigs is also expected to be done in between harvests of padi. With the delineation of plots now almost complete, it is generally expected that the subsidiary scheme will be launched before the end of the year.

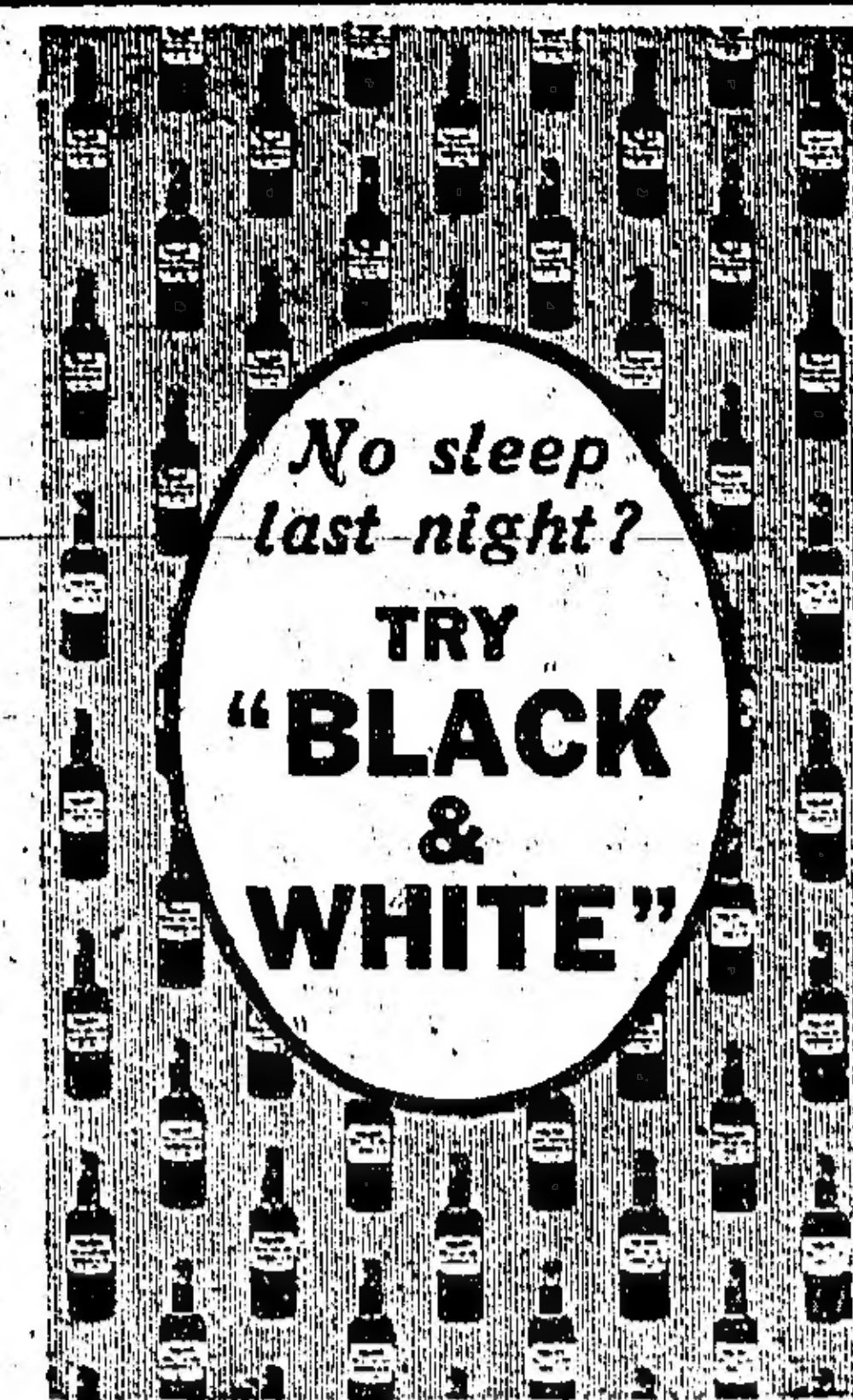
### PAPER-MAKING PLANT IN PENANG?

Business concerns which need a constant supply of paper for their work, will be glad to know that a group of Chinese are contemplating opening a paper manufacturing plant in Penang.

This will be the first enterprise of its kind in Malaya. The factory will be at River Road, near Sungai Pinang.

Orders for the necessary machinery have been placed and the plant is expected in Penang in a few months' time. It will be operated as an experiment for the first few months. It is expected that 15 tons of paper can be produced daily.

Among those interested in the project is a teacher of chemistry in a local school. (Malaya Tribune).



YOUR FIRST SIP TELLS YOU IT'S THE SCOTCH.

### Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Tuesday, Oct. 8. The price for Ready Silver was unchanged yesterday, but the Forward rate rose 1/16 to 23 3/8. Silver futures reported the market as being quiet. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 404.

#### MARKET

##### DUP. STERLING

There were sellers at 1/23 1/32 up to December, buyers at 1/3 for any delivery. No business was reported.

##### U. S. DOLLARS

Quiet. There were sellers at 23 3/8 for near and possibly a small buyer at 23 1/4 for Cash. No transactions were reported.

##### SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 402 with business done subsequently at 397 and 398. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 400.

##### SHANGHAI MARKET

Erratic. Opened with sellers of Sterling at 3 1/2 3/4 and closed with sellers at 3 1/2 3/4. U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 5 1/4 and closed with sellers at 5 1/2 3/2 for Spot.

##### AFTERNOON MARKET

Quiet. The market closed with sellers

### ELECTRIC PETROL PUMPS FOR S'PORE

Considerable delay to motorists will be removed by the proposed introduction into Malaya of petrol pumps worked electrically.

The substitution of existing hand petrol pumps by these electrically operated pumps, at eight of Singapore's motor firms and petrol kiosks, was approved at the meeting of the Municipal Commissioners today.

The spots where these electrically controlled pumps will be available are the Borneo Motors, Federated Motors, Lyons Motors, Malayan Motors, Thornycrofts, Universal Cars, and filling stations at Orchard Road and Orange Grove Road.

at 1/23 1/32 up to December, buyers at 1/3 for any delivery.

##### U. S. DOLLARS

Quiet. The market closed with small sellers at 23 3/8 for Cash, buyers at 23 1/4 for near.

##### SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Business was done at 404 and also 403. The market closed with possible sellers at 404.

##### SHANGHAI MARKET

Opened this afternoon with sellers of Sterling at 3 1/2 3/4 and closed at the same rate. U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 5 1/4 and closed at the same rate.

### PRE-PAID ADVERTISEMENTS.

The following classes of advertisements are charged at the price given below:—

SITUATIONS VACANT. HOUSES AND APARTMENTS TO BE LET. HOUSES AND APARTMENTS WANTED. MISCELLANEOUS WANTS.

Announcements not exceeding 25 words are inserted under this heading at a Pre-paid Rate of \$1.50 for THREE INSERTIONS. If Charges collected, \$2.00.

#### WANTED TO BUY

WE OFFER HIGH PRICES for any amount of gold articles, diamonds, silver, etc. No holidays. Apply China Building, 7th floor, Tel. 30727. Eurasia Gold Refining Co.

We pay high prices for all Gold & Silver articles, Diamonds, Jade and Gold dust. Apply China Gold Refining Co., Pedder Building, 2nd floor, Room 6.

Wanted to Buy 2nd Hand Typewriter in Good Condition. Please apply to Box No. 484 c/o The H.K.D.P.

#### WANTED KNOWN

ORDERS TAKEN for hand-made sweaters, Ladies' jumpers, Babies' outfits, etc., at \$5.00 each for workmanship.

Wool and model desired, to be supplied by customer. Send particulars of address, etc., to Box 502, H.K.D.P.

THE "WE" have an outstanding assortment of latest American dresses for all occasions and price to suit all purses. Call at "Vanity Shop" (Lazarus) Pedder Street.

Experienced Book-keeper Wants Students to form a class. Guarantee students to keep a whole set of books after completion of a course of 6 months. For Term and Particulars. Please Apply to: Box No. 483 c/o H.K.D.P.

#### HOTELS

RUSSIAN CUISINE MORE POPULAR EVERY DAY METROPOLE HOTEL

TEA DANCES Tuesdays Thursdays Saturdays Sundays 5 to 7.30 p.m.

#### FOR SALE

For Sale Fifty sets of Jubilee and Coronation Stamps 1st day Cover. What offer? Please apply to Box No. 485 c/o The H.K.D.P.

#### ENGRAVERS

FEI FEI & CO. Photo Engravers 18, Cochrane Street Telephone No. 22274

#### AUCTIONEERS

GREATEST COLLECTION OF BARGAINS IN TOWN LAMBERT'S AUCTION ROOM 10, Market Street, Tel. 22274

### Just Received Fresh Supply

Best varieties of Reliable and tested

### Flower & Vegetable Seeds

From Sutton and Sons, Ltd. Reading in pictorial packets

### GRACA & CO.

Dealers in Garden Seeds, Postage Stamps, Picture Books &c. No. 10 Wyndham Street Established 1896. Hong Kong

EAT AT Jimmy's



## FOREIGN MARKETS &amp; QUOTATIONS

## PAYNE &amp; CO.

COMMODITY BROKERS  
STOCK EXCHANGE BUILDING  
HONGKONGCOMMODITY MARKET REVIEW  
(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

NEW YORK, October 7, 1940.

SINGAPORE RUBBER	Previous	October 7	Change
S P O T	37-3/8	37-1/2	up 1/4
JAN-MAR	35-3/8	35-5/8	
APR-JUNE	33-7/8	34-1/8	

The market was steady but quiet.

LONDON RUBBER	Previous close	Today's close	Change
S P O T	11-13/16	11-7/8	up 1/16
NOVEMBER	11-7/8	11-7/8	unch.
DECEMBER	11-7/8	11-7/8	unch.
JAN-MAR	11-13/16	11-7/8	up 1/16
APRIL-JUNE	11-11/16	11-13/16	up 1/8

Market very steady with covering demand but sellers reserved.

NEW YORK COTTON: The market continues to reflect a downward revision of the crop estimate and moderate mill fixations. There was some hedging, but it was insufficient to influence the market. Leading Trade sources believe that a large volume of cotton is still entering into the Loan.

CHICAGO WHEAT: The advance met with profit-taking and moderate hedging against loan repossessions, but there was no selling pressure.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 133.90; Today's close, 133.51; Change, off .39.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET  
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

	Prev.	Today's	Change
New York Cotton, Dec.	9.84	9.60	.01 off
New York Rubber, Dec.	19.80	19.70	.05 up
Chicago Wheat, Dec.	82 1/2	82 1/2	1/4 off
Chicago Corn, Dec.	58 1/2	58 1/2	1/4 off
New York Hides, Dec.	10.82	10.79	.03 off
NEW YORK COTTON			
Oct. (New contract)	9.84/84	9.62/62	.01 off
December	9.82/82	9.60/60	.01 off
January	9.61 N	9.55b/56a	.01 off
March	9.61/61	9.59/59	.01 off
May	9.49/49	9.50/50	.01 off
July	9.28/28	9.31/31	.03 up
Spot	9.75 N	9.72n	.03 off

## NEW YORK RUBBER

December	19.65b	19.80/80	.05 up
January	19.60b	unquoted	.01 up
March	19.50a	19.56/55	.05 off
May	19.38/38	unquoted	.05 off

## CHICAGO WHEAT

December	82 1/2	82 1/2	1/4 off
May	81 1/2	82 1/2	1/4 off

## CHICAGO CORN

December	58 1/2	58 1/2	1/4 off
May	59 1/2	60/60	1/4 off

## WINNIPEG WHEAT

October	70 1/2	70 1/2	1/4 up
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## NEW YORK HIDES

December	10.79/79	10.80/81	.09 off
March	10.78/78	10.82/82	.12 off

Total sales for the day—75 contracts.

NY Official Silver unquoted 34-3/4

NY-London Cross Rate 4.03-4/4

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE  
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

War Loan, 3 1/2% (Red, after 1952)	101-15/16
Janton-K'loon Rly. 5% 6	
Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Loan 1898 (Brit. Issue)	30
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	35
Chin. 4 1/2% Anglo-French Loan, 1908	44
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1912	12
Chinese 5% Beorg. Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Is.)	18
Chinese 3% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers)	9
Chin. Imperial Rly. 5% Loan	41
Honan Rly. 5%	10
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911... (L.P. N.Y. Issue)	12
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (German Issue)	10
Lung T'ing & U. Hai Rly. 5% 1913	8
S'hai-N'King Rly. 5%	12
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.)	8
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.)	8
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	8
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5%	8

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE  
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

Tin, Standard, Cash: Middle Price, £256-5/8.

Tin, Standard, 3 months, Middle Price, £280-3/8.

British consumers were buying steadily but there was no selling pressure.

(Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	8
Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1924	22
Ger. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924	54
Chartered Bank	61
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	64
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col. Reg.)	74
Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearers)	14
Chosen Corporation	4
Pekin Syndicate	4
S'hai Elec. Constr. Co.	15
S'hai Waterworks "A"	13 1/2
Union Insurance	20
Gula Kalumpung Rubber	13/9
B-A. Tob. (bearer)	83/14
Mercantile Bank	104
Dunlop Rubber	30 7/8
Bristol Aeroplane	9/3
Imperial Chemical, Ind.	27/10 1/2
United Steel	17/10 1/2
Woolworths	58/3
Marsden Investments	8/9
Western Holdings	10
Sub-Nigel	160
Shell Trans. & Trad. (bearer)	35/7 1/2
Nat. Defence Bonds, 3%	101 1/2
London-Midlands-Scottish, 3%	12
Great Western Rail-way, 3%	29 1/2
Nat. Bank of India, 3%	24 1/2

## MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS  
OCTOBER 8, 1940.

On London:—	
Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 7/8	
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8	
Credits 4 months' sight 1/3 1/2	
On Shanghai:—	
On demand	38 1/2
On Singapore:—	
On demand	62 3/4
On Japan:—	
On demand	100
On India:—	
Telegraphic Transfer, 82 1/2	
and demand	82 1/2
On New York:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 22 7/8	
Credits, 60 days' sight 23 3/4	
On Batavia:—	
On demand	42 3/4
On Paris:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 106 1/2	
Credits 4 months' sight 116 1/2	
On Saigon:—	
On demand	99 1/2
On Manila:—	
On demand	45 3/4
On Bangkok:—	
On demand	7
On Sterling Notes:—	
Bank Buying Rate	Now.
Silver per oz.	37 7/16

## Shanghai Exchange

Official T.T. Rates

Shanghai, Oct. 8 (Reuter).

	Opening	Closing
London	0/3-9/16	
New York	5-1/2	
Japan	23-3/8	
India	19-3/4 N	
Hongkong	23-5/8	

## Sterling

Sellers

	Opening	Closing
Spot	0/3-47/64	0/3-11/16
Oct.	0/3-47/64	0/3-11/16
Nov.	0/3-23/32	0/3-43/64

## U.S. Dollars

Sellers

	Opening	Closing
Spot	\$5-25/32	\$5-23/32
Oct.	\$5-25/32	\$5-23/32
Nov.	\$5-3/4	\$5-11/16

Market—Uncertain.

## Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Oct. 7 (Reuter).

T.T. on Japan, 81-1/4.

## India Rupee Paper

Bombay, Oct. 7 (Reuter).

Govt. 3 1/2% Rupee, 91-0-0.

## LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Oct. 8 (Reuter)—The

Stock Exchange experienced a

good day yesterday.

The turnover was broadened

and prices in most sections moved

higher. Industrials especially at-

tracted attention and some

Leaders registered substantial

gains. Kafirs enjoyed local sup-

port and Gilt-edged met with in-

vestment demand.

Wall Street was steady.

## SILVER MARKET

LONDON SILVER

London, Oct. 7 (Reuter).

Silver—Market very quiet. Busi-

ness negligible.

Spot, 23-7/16d.

Forward, 23-3/8d.

## BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, Oct. 7 (Reuter).

Market—Quiet. Offtake 50 bars.

Indian Mint Silver

Ready
| Oct. 23 Settlement | 62-11 |
| Nov. 26 Settlement | 62-13 |

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

## QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

OCTOBER 8, 1940.

STOCKS	Last Sale	STOCKS	Last Sale
Oct. 7	Oct. 7	Oct. 7	Oct. 7
Adams Express	51	Loew's Inc.	26 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	22 1/2	Loft Incorporated	20 1/2
Allis Chalmers	34 1/2	Mack Truck Inc.	25 1/2
Aluminum Ltd.	82 1/2	Martin, Glen L.	31 1/2
Amer. Can.	99 1/2	McKesson & Robbins, pfd.	27 1/2
American Cyanamid B.	35 1/2	Montgomery Ward	41 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power	1 1/2	Main City Copper Co.	3 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	15 1/2	National Aviaton	10 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	16 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	13 1/2
Amer. Radiator	7 1/2	National Distillers	22
Amer. Rolling Mill	12 1/2	National Lead	18 1/2
Amer. S'ing and Ring Co.	42	Nat. Power & Light	7 1/2
Amer. Sugar Refining	14	National Supply Corp.	6 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	163 1/2	New York Central	1 1/2
Amer. Tobacco "B"	78 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power	3 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	87 1/2	N. American Aviaton	17 1/2
Anacosta Copper	22 1/2	North American Co.	18 1/2
Atchafson, T. & S. Fe.	17 1/2	Northern Pacific	7 1/2
Aviation Corp.	4 1/2	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	59 1/2
Baldwin Locomotive	18 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.	29 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	44	Packard Motors	3 1/2
Barber Asphalt Co.	104	Pan-American Airways	16
Barnsdall Oil	86 1/2	Paramount Pictures	7 1/2
Bendix Aviation	31 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	22 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	79 1/2	Philadelphia Read. Coal	1 1/2
Bliss & Co.	14 1/2	Phillips Petroleum	34
Boeing Airplane Co.	153	Public Service of N.J.	33 1/2
Borg-Warner	182 1/2	Pulman Inc.	24 1/2
Briggs Mfg.	22 1/2	Pure Oil	7 1/2
Budd Manufacturing Corp.	44	Radio Corp. of Am.	5
Canadian Pacific Rwy	31	Reading Company, Com.	15 1/2
Case, J.I.	57	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	58 1/2
Celanese	29	Republic Aviation Corp.	5 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	40 1/2	Republic Steel	18 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	79 1/2	Revere Corp.	11 1/2
Columbia Gas & Elec.	51	Reynold Tobac. "B"	35 1/2
Commercial Credit Co.	30 1/2	Safeway Stores	42 1/2
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	11	Schenley Distillers	10 1/2
Consolidated Edison	26 1/2	Sears Roebuck	81 1/2
Consolidated Oil	5 1/2	Shell Union Oil	8 1/2
Continental Can	39 1/2	Soco-Vacuum Oil	6 1/2
Continental Oil	17 1/2	Southern Pacific	9
Copperweld Steel	19 1/2	Southern Ry \$5 pfd.	21 1/2
Curtiss Wright (C)	7 1/2	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	33 1/2
Curtiss Wright "A"	26 1/2	Standard Brands	6 1/2
Deere & Co.	20	Stand Gas & Elec.	1 1/2
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	16 1/2	Standard Oil of California	17 1/2
Douglas Aircraft	77 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	33 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	176	Stone & Webster	8 1/2
Eagle Picher Lead	9	Studebaker Com.	7 1/2
Eaton Mfg. Co.	33 1/2	Swift International	17 1/2
Elec. Autolite	36 1/2	Technicolor	9
Elec. Bond & Share	5	Texas Corp.	34 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pf.	64	Texas Gulf Sulphur	34
Elec. Bond & Share \$8 pf.	73 1/2	Timken-Axle	28 1/2
Elec. Power & Light \$7 pf.	36 1/2	Trans-America Co.	41
Flintkote	17 1/2	20th Cent. Fox	6
Gen. American Trans.	49 1/2	Union Bag & Paper Corp.	12 1/2
Gen. Electric	35 1/2	Union Carbide & Carbon	75 1/2
Gen. Motors	49 1/2	United Pacific	84
Gen. Railway Signal	15 1/2	United Aircraft	39 1/2
Gen. Tire & Rubber	12 1/2	United Airlines Trans.	17 1/2
Glidden Co.	14	United Corp.	1 1/2
Goodrich (B.F.)	11 1/2	United Corp. \$3 cum pf.	35 1/2
Goodrich \$5 pf.	56 1/2	United Gas Corp.	1 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Co.	15 1/2	United Gas Improvement	11 1/2
Great Northern Iron Ore	15 1/2	U.S. Industrial Alcohol	22 1/2
Great Northern Rly. pfd.	28	U.S. Rubber	19 1/2
Great Western Sugar	19 1/2	U.S. Rubber \$8 pfd.	74 1/2
Greyhound Corp.	11 1/2	U.S. Smelting	63 1/2
Hercules Powder Co.	80	U.S. Steel	59 1/2
Homestake Mining	46	Vanadium	32 1/2
Int. Nickel	28	Valtee Aircraft	9 1/2
Inter. Paper & Power	14 1/2	Walworth Co.	4 1/2
Int. Tel. & Tel.	21	Warner Bros. Pict.	21
Kennecott Copper	30	Westinghouse Elec.	107 1/2
Lahey Foundry & Mfg.	4 1/2	Woodward Iron Cor.	30
Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	44 1/2	Chase National Bank	29 1/2
Lockheed Aircraft	28 1/2	National City Bank	24 1/2

## DOW JONES AVERAGE

1940	High	Low	Dow Jones Averages	Oct. 8	High	Low	Close	Change
1928-30	111.84	30	Industrials	133.50	134.54	133.31	133.51	.20 off
	32.67	22.15	30	29.20	29.20	29.20	29.20	.20 off
	26.45	18.03	30	21.99	21.99	21.76	21.76	.17 off
	68.81	68.00	40	90.43	90.43	90.35	90.35	.08 off
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# BATTLE OF DAKAR WAS RESULT OF DECEIT SUFFERED BY GEN. DE GAULLE

The efforts of "free" French leaders to establish themselves in Dakar can be traced to the mysterious passage past Gibraltar of three French cruisers and three destroyers on Sept. 11, writes J. W. T. Mason, United Press Military Expert, in the Manila Bulletin.

It can be assumed that the British government allowed the warships to depart on the advice of General Charles de Gaulle, leader of "free" French forces, whose information about their intentions proved faulty.

It is incredible that the squadron could have passed Gibraltar unmolested except with Britain's consent. It is also unlikely that it could have left the Toulon base without the approval of both the Vichy and German governments.

## MEAGRE DETAILS

Therefore, there was a difference of understanding about their purpose, and from the meagre details at hand, it looks as if De Gaulle was deceived.

After the vessels left Toulon, it was stated that they were to join the British fleet, presumably in the English Channel, but later developments imply that De Gaulle believed that they were to operate in support of the "free" French government, which has been extending its control over central Africa.

Vichy authorities said that the ships were to convoy French supply vessels. This could mean only that they were to be used against the British blockade. This would have justified a British refusal to allow them to enter the Atlantic from the Mediterranean if London regarded the report as accurate.

There is reason to believe that De Gaulle may have been convinced that once in the Atlantic, the crews would announce adherence to him. However, they did not, and instead, later activities show that their real objective was to combat "free" French activities in Africa.

The squadron thus became a potential danger to Britain, and three days ago, a superior British fleet ordered the warships into Dakar. Meanwhile, apparently De Gaulle had been organizing an expedition to seize Dakar, presumably counting on help from the French warships. Instead of assisting the expeditionary force, the French warships challenged the "free" Frenchmen and the bombardment of Dakar resulted.

## STRONG OPPOSITION

Opposition to the De Gaulle regime in Dakar seems to have been so strong that if the landing force's effort to seize the port had continued on Monday, the situation would have been near to civil war.

The alternative presumption to these assumed events is that the Vichy government knew about De Gaulle's plans to try to capture Dakar and sent warships from Toulon so quickly that they sped past Gibraltar before the British

# SPANIARDS IN MANILA CABLE GEN. FRANCO TO AVOID WAR

Prominent members of the Spanish community in Manila on Sept. 30, cabled to Generalissimo Francisco Franco, head of the Spanish government, pleading that Spain be kept out of the present war, reports the Manila Bulletin. The cable says:

"We believe our nation has earned its right to peace after having suffered three years of war for civilisation and for the Catholic faith."

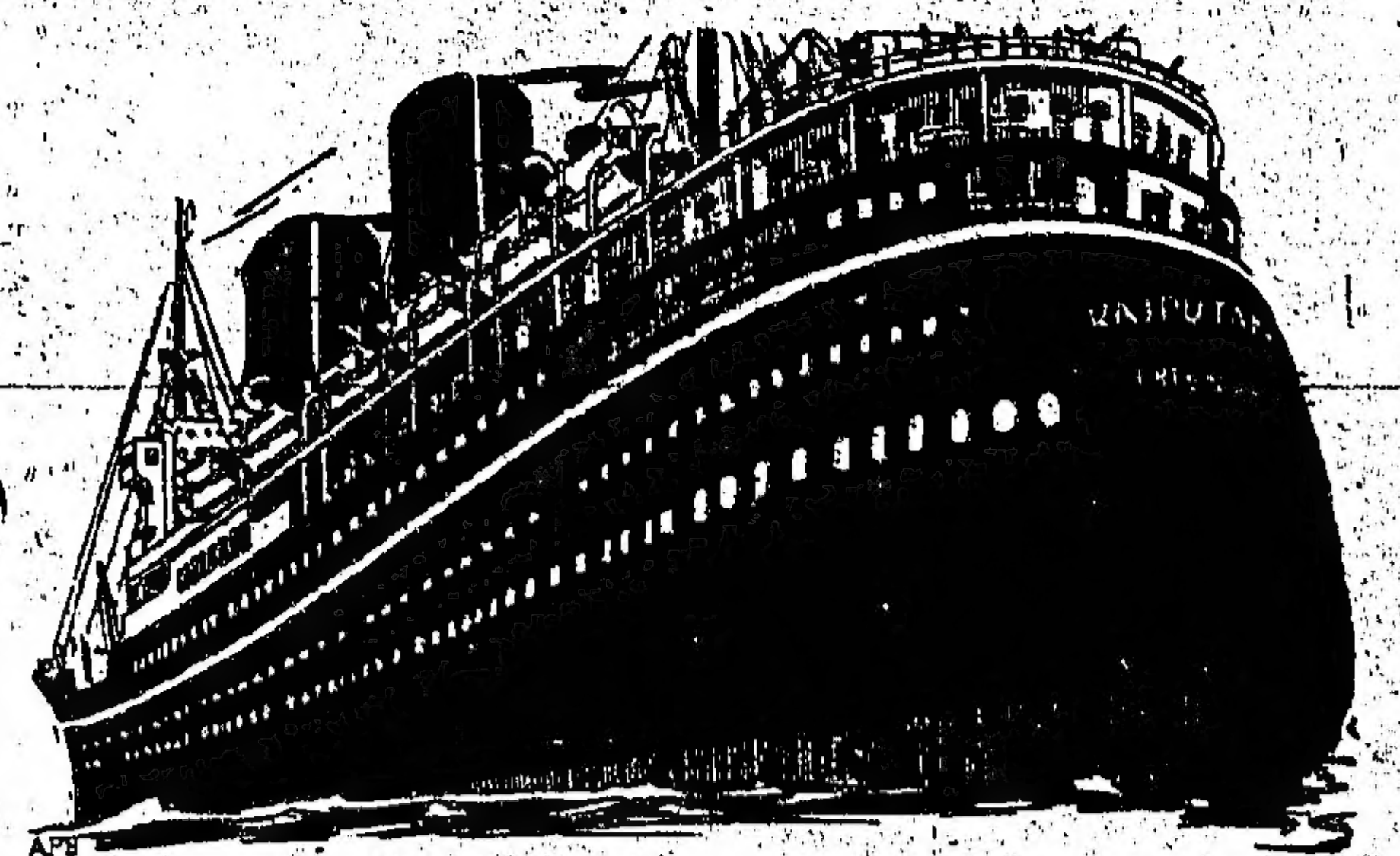
## LONG LIST

Don Andres Soriano, who recently returned to Manila by clipper from a trip abroad, was understood to have signed the message at the head of a long list of prominent Spanish residents here.

It was declared that everyone of the signers of the appeal actively co-operated in the rightist movement headed by Franco during the recent Spanish civil war. It was also emphasised that the Spanish community in the Philippines was the first to back up Franco's nationalist movement.

Hope is entertained by the signers of the cable that the initiative taken in Manila will be followed by other Spanish communities abroad in an effort to keep Spain out of the raging European war.

could stop them. However, it would seem that British control of the western exit to the Mediterranean is strong enough to have checked them in time if such was wished.



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# WEATHER REPORT

10 a.m., October 8.

Barometer (at sea level), 29.98 ins.

Temperature, 81 F.

Humidity, 72 per cent.

Wind Direction, ESE

Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.

Temperature; maximum yesterday 88 F.

Temperature; minimum last night, 76 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th today, nil.

Total rainfall since January 1st, 112.72 ins.

Against an average of, 79.75 ins.

Sunset tonight, 6.04 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 6.17 a.m.

4 p.m., Oct. 8.

Barometer (at sea level), 29.89 ins.

Temperature, 81 F.

Humidity, 72 per cent.

Wind Direction, E/S.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.

Maximum temperature, 84 F.

Minimum temperature, 78 F.

Rainfall, nil.

# HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

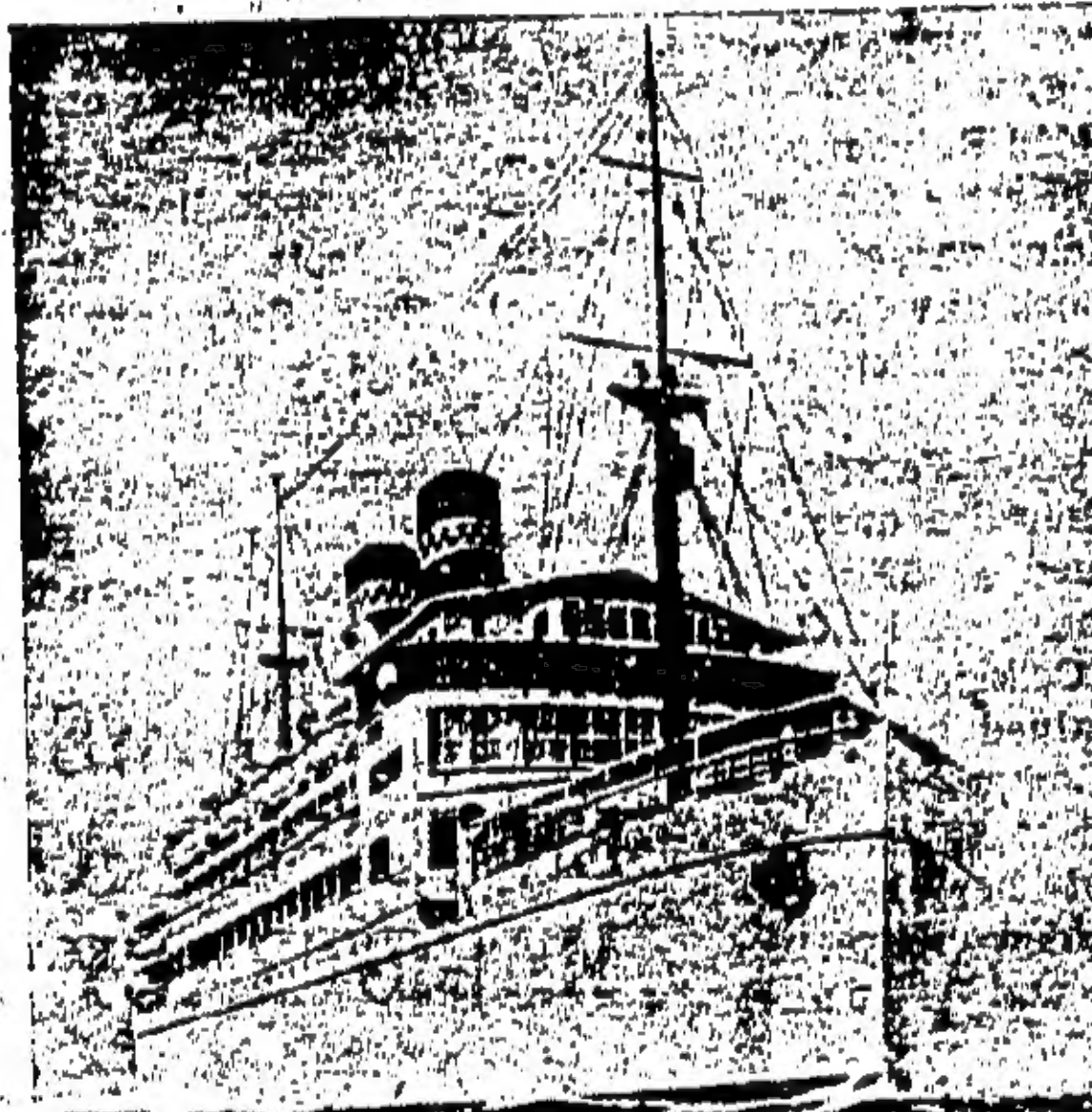
From 9 to 15 Oct. 1940.

Days of Week	Date of Month	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Wed.	9	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
		02 31	6 8	10 24	2 5
		18 04	5 1	20 19	5 0
Thur.	10	04 01	6 4	11 23	2 6
		19 07	5 4	22 57	4 9
Fri.	11	05 24	6 4	12 21	2 6
		19 37	5 8	—	—
Sat.	12	06 32	6 4	00 17	4 5
		21 05	5 9	12 59	4 0
Sun.	13	07 27	6 4	01 08	4 0
		20 28	6 1	13 34	2 5
Mon.	14	08 14	6 4	01 49	3 5
		20 50	6 4	14 05	2 5
Tues.	15	08 54	6 3	02 29	3 1
		31 09	6 8	14 26	2 6

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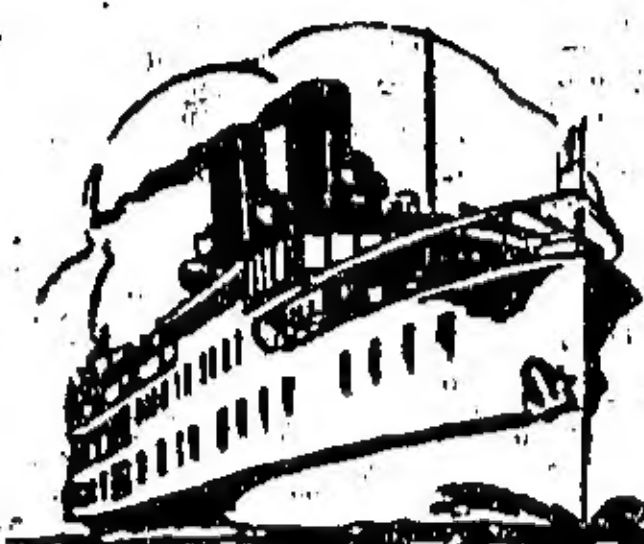
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## HONGKONG REEL CLUB TO CONTINUE PRACTICES AS FROM WEDNESDAY, OCT. 16

### Annual Meeting Decision: Donation To B.W.O.F.

The 14th annual general meeting of the Hongkong Reel Club was held yesterday at the Gloucester Hotel, with Mr. A. McKellar, Vice-President, in the chair. There was a large attendance of members present.

Following the adoption of the annual report and statement of accounts, the question of whether the Club should continue practice dances or not was discussed and it was decided that practices start as from Wednesday next.

Addressing the meeting, Mr. McKellar said:—

In regard to the accounts, you will observe that we have still \$566 left in the bank. This position is, I consider, very satisfactory. An item of \$300, being donation to the B.W.O.F., appears in the statement and I am sure you will approve the committee's action in this matter. It may not be a large sum but it is a good effort from a Club of our description and dimensions.

The membership of the Club at July 31 was 141 and constitutes a record number. If they all turned up at a practice, we would be unable to "house" them.

Although somewhat risky, I cannot close my remarks without referring to a favourite topic, the "evacuation." We all realise that a goodly number of our keen supporters are now many miles away and we wish them good luck and health wherever they may be.

Perhaps if everything else fails, the skill of our Pipe-Major's bagpipes may wait strongly enough to entice them back long before another season has dawned.

MEMBERS THANKED  
I have left to the end a most important duty—to thank certain members for their unstinted work during the past year so that the affairs of the Club may be run most smoothly and successfully. I will merely refer to their names as their value is too well-known to us all already.—Mr. D. L. Prophet (President), Pipe-Major—Mackie (Instructor), Miss D. Henderson (Helper at Children's Class) and Miss S. Baskett (Secretary).

NEW OFFICERS  
Officers elected for the ensuing year were as follows:—

President—A. McKellar; Vice-Presidents—G. Scott and Mrs. A. G. Dalziel; Hon. Secretary—Miss S. M. Baskett; Hon. Treasurer—G. A. Lelper; Committee—W. L. Alexander, A. Farquhar, W. Robertson, Miss I. Watkins, Miss F. W. Fowle and Miss M. C. McGuffee.

ELECTRIC FAN  
Mrs. A. E. Perry of 12 Saiyung-chol Street, lost an electric fan, a clock and other articles valued at \$103. The fan and clock have been recovered by the Police from a pawn shop.

Major Officer of the R. A. M. C. and residing at 30, College Road, lost a wrist watch valued at \$100.

Mrs. Calver of 2, Kimberly Road, lost a suitcase valued at \$94 when some person entered her house through an open window between 10 p.m. on Sunday and 4 p.m. yesterday.

JEWELS AND MONEY  
Mrs. E. Karpusheva, of Nathan Road, has reported the loss of jewellery and money, valued at \$2,550, from a locked drawer in her flat between 2.30 p.m. on Sunday and 8 a.m. yesterday.

Miss Dorothy Lee, of 8 Hankow Road, has reported to the police that the radiator cap of her car was stolen whilst the vehicle was parked in Boundary Street between 7 and 10 p.m. yesterday.

WONG YUET was charged with stealing \$7,335, belonging to Hui Sze-ming, from Room 307 of the Mei Chow Hotel, and second defendant was charged with receiving the money, knowing same to have been stolen.

First defendant admitted the charge but second defendant pleaded not guilty.

Mr. Alfred S. K. Lau held a watching brief on behalf of complainant, Hui Sze-ming.

Outlining the case, Det. Sgt. T. Cashman said on Sept. 9, Hui, who was a merchant, went to the Mei Chow Hotel for temporary residence. Early that morning he went to the bath house and took with him a wallet containing \$7,335.

After coming from the bath complainant fell asleep and when he woke up some time later he remembered that he had forgotten to take back the wallet from the bath house. He went there but found it was missing.

First defendant was arrested in September on information and admitted having stolen the money which, she told the Police, she had given to second defendant.

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She said on Sept. 17 after 7 p.m. Wong Yuet came to her house and asked her to allow her (defendant) to deposit some old clothes with her. Defendant also told her that inside the clothes were some money. The next day she returned and witness saw defendant counting 14 \$500 bank notes.

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## Evacuation Evasion Attempt Collapses

### DISCOURAGING RESPONSE

Up to 8 o'clock last night only 41 women had subscribed their signatures to the protest which the women who were under orders to evacuate the Colony had intended forwarding to the Government for consideration at the special meeting of the Evacuation Advisory Committee today.

Only 41 names had been secured up to noon yesterday, and a further notification failed to inspire the necessary response with the result that the hastily organised last-minute attempt to evade evacuation collapsed hopelessly, and has been abandoned.

The organiser of the meeting, at which the decision to protest was made, told the Hongkong Daily Press last night that the result was most discouraging.

## UNIVERSITY EDUCATION SOCIETY

### MEMBERS URGED TO FURTHER EFFORT

The annual general business meeting of the Hongkong University Education Society was held yesterday evening at the Union Assembly Room, Mr. Lo Hing-sung being in the Chair.

Prof. L. Forster addressed the meeting, reviewing the society's activities in the past year and urging the members to further efforts.

Citing the case of a former student at the University, a young lady Miss Gertrude Ho, who had gone to Kwangsi where she was now engaged in some very useful work, Prof. Forster said it would profit every student to aim at achieving something to the furtherance of education rather than to study only for a diploma.

The very vitality of the University, the speaker said, depended upon student activities.

OFFICERS ELECTED  
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Editor of the Journal, Miss P. Ahlong; Assistant Editors, Miss N. Sen and Miss A. Sufiad; Business Managers, W. Duffield and B. Ahmed; Hon. Secretary of the Free Night School, O. V. Cheung; Assistant Hon. Secretary, Miss Z. Sufiad.

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## FOREIGN MAILS

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### GENERAL HOLIDAY

On Thursday, the 10th October, the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to noon. Shingwan Branch Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. and the other Branch Post Offices will be entirely closed.

There will be one collection from the pillar boxes on Sundays, one delivery of ordinary correspondence at 11.30 a.m. and one delivery of registered correspondence at 11 a.m.

There will also be one delivery of ordinary correspondence at 11 a.m. from the Branch Post Offices at Stanley, Taiipo and Un Long. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

### INWARD MAILS

From	Due
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service," San Francisco date 2nd October.	10th Oct.
Air Mail by the "Imperial Airways Direct Service," London and Straits.	11th Oct.
Java and Manila.	11th Oct.
Australia, Rabaul and Manila.	12th Oct.
Sandakan.	12th Oct.
London and Straits.	13th Oct.
Jalcutta and Straits.	14th Oct.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan, and Shanghai — (San Francisco date 18th September).	15th Oct.
Sandakan.	16th Oct.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan, and Shanghai — (San Francisco date, 27th September).	16th Oct.
Swatow.	19th Oct.
London and Straits.	19th Oct.
U. S. A. and Manila — (San Francisco date 30th September).	20th Oct.
Australia and Manila.	21st Oct.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan, and Shanghai — (Vancouver B. C. date, 5th October).	22nd Oct.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai. — (San Francisco date 4th October).	24th Oct.
U. S. A. and Manila — (San Francisco date, 5th October).	25th Oct.
London and Straits.	25th Oct.
U. S. A. and Manila — (Seattle date, 30th Sept.).	29th Oct.

### OUTWARD MAILS

Registered and Parcel Mail are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m. Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

For	Date and Time
WEDNESDAY	Wed. 9th
Straits, Rangoon and Calcutta.	4.30 PM
THURSDAY	Thurs. 10th
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa.	Noon
K.P.O.	Noon
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U. S. A. & Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."	Noon
G.P.O.	Noon
FRIDAY	Fri. 11th
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U. S. A., Canada, Central and South America, and "United Kingdom via San Francisco."	Reg. 10/10, Noon Ord. 11/10, 8.30 AM
K.P.O.	Reg. 5.0 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
G.P.O.	Reg. 5.0 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways-Service" to Durban and thence by Sea Service to United Kingdom	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
K.P.O.	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
G.P.O.	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
MONDAY	Mon. 14th
U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America and United-Kingdom via San Francisco. (No Parcels for Canada)	Reg. 12th 5.00 PM Reg. 14th 8.45 AM Ord. 14th 10.30 AM
Note:—All Mails for United-Kingdom will be forwarded with or without superscription	K.P.O. Parcels 4.00 PM Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
G.P.O. Parcels 4.00 PM Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM	
WEDNESDAY	Wed. 18th
Manila, Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa and United-Kingdom.	Reg. 15th 5.00 PM Reg. 16th 5.00 PM Ord. 16th 8.30 AM
Poochow	5.30 AM
Manila, Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa via Cape Town.	7.00 PM
THURSDAY	Thurs. 17th
Manila, Batavia and Sourabaya.	5.30 AM
SATURDAY	Sat. 19th
Sandakan.	5.30 AM
MONDAY	Mon. 21st
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U. S. A., Central and South America, Canada and "United Kingdom via San Francisco."	Reg. 18th 5.00 PM Reg. 19th 5.00 PM Ord. 19th 8.30 AM
G.P.O. & K.P.O.	Reg. 19th 5.00 PM Reg. 21st 8.45 AM Ord. 21st 8.30 AM
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, and United-Kingdom	7.00 PM
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, via Cape Town.	7.00 PM
THURSDAY	Thurs. 24th
Sandakan.	11.30 PM

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